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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship "SATTARA," 1,238 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander R. Jonsson, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 7th Feb. 1874, at 4 P.M.

February 1874.		February 1874.	
Leaves BOMBAY	7	Leaves Tuticorin	15
„ Ratnagherry	8	„ Colombo	16
„ Vingoria	8	„ Galle	17
„ Goa	9	„ Negapatam	20
„ Carwar	9	„ Madras	22
„ Mangalore	10	„ Coconada	24
„ Canananore	10	„ Vizagapatam	26
„ Tellicherry	11	„ Bimlipatam	25
„ Calicut	12	„ Gopaulpore	26
„ Beypore	12	„ False Point	27
„ Cochin	13		March.
„ Alleppy	13	Arrives at CALCUTTA	1

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neilgherry District, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut or Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail. Passengers for Calcutta may take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, via KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Busreh, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSREH, and occasionally at BHAREIN, KOWEIT, and MAHOMERAH.

The s.s. EUPHRATES, 803 Tons, 120 H.P. Commander J. Melville, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 30th January 1874 at 2 P.M.

Jan. 1874.		Feb. 1874.	
Leave BOMBAY	30	Leave BUSREH	18
„ Kurrachee	Feb. 3	„ Mahomerah	18
„ Guadar	4	Fao	18
„ Muscat	6	„ Koweit	20
„ Bunder Abbas	8	„ Bushire	20
„ Linga	10	„ Muscat	22
„ Bahrein	12	„ Bunder Abbas	27
„ Bushire	12	„ Muscat	March 1
„ Fao	13	„ Guadar	3
„ Mahomerah	14	„ Kurrachee	6
Arrive BUSREH	15	Arrive BOMBAY	9

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co. Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will during the Season despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every FRIDAY, at 2 o'clock.

The s.s. EUPHRATES, 803 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander J. Melville, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 30th January 1874, at 2 P.M.

The s.s. KURRACHEE, 580 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander C. C. D. Hutchinson, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 6th Feb, 1874, at 2 P.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

HARBOUR STEAM FERRIES.

UNDER Contract with Government, STEAM FERRY BOATS ply across the Harbour daily, stopping at the undermentioned Bunders:—

Fares from Bombay to

	1st Class. Rs. a. p.	2nd Class. Rs. a. p.	3rd Class. Rs. a. p.
Oorun	0 2 0	0 1 0	0 0 6
Hog Island	0 2 0	0 1 0	0 0 6
Oolwa	0 3 0	0 1 2	0 0 6
Rewas	0 2 0	0 1 2	0 0 6
Dhurrumtur	0 3 0	0 1 0	0 0 8
Thull	0 2 8	0 1 0	0 0 4
Alibaugh	0 3 0	0 1 4	0 0 6
Rewdunda	0 4 0	0 1 8	0 0 8

The Oorun, Hog Island, and Oolwa Ferry Boat leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 8 A.M., and returning leaves Oolwa at 11 A.M.

The Rewas and Dhurumtur Ferry Boat leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 9-30 A.M., and returning leaves Dhurumtur at 2 P.M.

The Thull, Alibaugh, and Rewdunda Ferry Boat leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 3 P.M., and returning leaves Rewdunda at 5 A.M.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

No. 33, Meadow Street, Bombay, 17th December 1873.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.

S. S. NEERA.

THE Steam-ship NEERA, 2,200 Tons, 300 H.P., Captain C. C. Cousins, will SAIL for LIVERPOOL via SUEZ CANAL on or about the 28th February 1874.

RATES OF FARES FOR PASSENGERS.

To LIVERPOOL, 1st CLASS..... Rs. 500 } Exclusive of
Ditto 2ND CLASS..... „ 350 } Wines, &c.

For Freight and Passage apply to

STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

Bombay, 15th November 1873.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE, via SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamer TEBE, 2,680 Tons, will be despatched for TRIESTE on or about the 10th February, to be followed by the Extra Steamer ARETUSA, 1,320 Tons, to leave on or about the 25th February 1874.

These Steamers have only limited accommodation for a small number of Passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE,

(including a liberal Table, exclusive of Wines and Liquors, transit through Egypt, and free conveyance of 3 cwt. luggage)—

To	Cabin.	Deck with Food.
To Trieste	£40	£19-0
To Port Said	£30	£14-6
To Suez	£28	£13-7

Children under 3 years of age, Free; above 3 and under 10 years, Half Fare.

Cargo also for Trieste, also for Venice, Constantinople, and Odessa, Aden, Egypt, England, and the Continent generally.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company.

A. C. GUMPERT, Agent.

Bombay, Elphinstone Circle, 12th January 1874.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. Bubatino & Co., of Noa.

THE REGULAR STEAME S LEAVE GENOA, and BOMBAY on the 24th, on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGERS RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
To Aden	£22	£15	£4	Without food.
Suez	36	22	8	
Port Said	36	24	9	
Alexandria	39	25½	9-10	
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles (Steamship ment at Genoa	52	35	14-10	Including Wines

Children under 3 years, free of charge. Children [illegible] above 10 years, half fare.

NEXT STEAMER FROM BOMBAY :—

"ARABIA," to sail on SUNDAY, 1st February 1874.
"ASIA," to sail on SUNDAY, 1st March 1874.
"INDIA," to sail on WEDNESDAY, 1st April 1874.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c. apply to

C. GRONDONA,

Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,

No. 9 Hunkman Street.

Bombay, 1st January 1874.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Monday, the 26th January, 1874, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O Co.'s s. s. MALWA, 2,933 Tons, and 450 H.P.; Captain G. Hyde, R.N.R., will LEAVE for SUEZ, as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Venice, Marseilles, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Messina, Naples, Leghorn, Genoa, Trieste, Odessa, Constantinople, Ancona, Havre, Liverpool, London, and New York.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal, in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

GEO. P. HENRY,
Superintendent, P. & O. Company.

Bombay, 19th January 1874.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Tuesday, the 27th January 1874, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s. s. DELHI, 2,178 Tons and 400 H.P., Captain G. Lee, will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any sheet of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's Office before noon, on Saturday, the 24th January.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 13th January 1873.

PENINSULAR and ORIENTAL COMPANY.

SUEZ CANAL ROUTE.

It is intended to despatch the following Steamers from Bombay, direct through the Suez Canal to Southampton :—

DECCAN	3,128 Tons	600 H.P.,	2nd March 1874.
MALWA	2,933 „	450 H.P.,	16th do.
HINDOSTAN	3,113 „	600 H.P.,	30th do.
PEKIN	3,777 „	600 H.P.,	13th April 1874.
MIRZAPORE	3,763 „	600 H.P.,	27th do.

And others to Follow.

PASSAGE MONEY.

First Class ..... Rs. 660
Second Class ..... Rs. 360

For further particulars apply to

GEORGE F. HENRY,
Bombay, 3 Rampart Row. Superintendent.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.

THE steam-ship ARIEL, 1,108 Tons, 700 H. P., will sail for LIVERPOOL, via SUEZ CANAL, early in February.

FARE TO LIVERPOOL—1st Class, Rs. 450, Exclusive of Wines.

This Steamer has good Cabin accommodation for a few Passengers. For Passage, &c., apply to

KING, KING, & Co.,
4, Church Lane, Bombay.

SALES BY AUCTION.

SADANUND SHRICRISTNAJEE AND CO.

COME AND SEE.

SALE OF VERY SUPERIOR AND CHOICE OIL PAINTINGS IN GILT FRAME

BY THE BEST ARTISTS.

On SATURDAY, the 31st instant, Messrs. S. SHRICRISTNAJEE & Co will sell by Public Auction, at their Room, an invoice of 14 Cases Pictures imported in Bombay for the first time, representing important scenes of the late Franco-German War, Subjects are Steeple-chase, Consolation, The Princess Louise and Marquis of Lorne, H. R. H. Prince of Wales and his family, Interview of Wellington and Blucher, Dutch Fort, Venice, Marshes of the Elbe, Good Eye, In Memoriam, Last Kiss, Black Brunswicker Grace Darling, Christ blessing Children, Spring Blossoms, Kingston Harbour, Morning Bath, Returning Toilet, Farm-yard, Surprised Children in the Wood, Rumies Alp, Morning in Highland, Waiting for the Verdict, Wreck of the Emigrant, Close of Day, Love's Reverie, Coast of Normandy and England, Banquet Roses, Enchantress, Beggar's Petition, Hunting Scene, Lost in Charge, Wife Awake, Master Pony, Repose, First Cigar, Shipping Summer Winter Sheep, Royal Marriage, Alp Scene, Lake of Geneva, Mothers Treasure Naple Boys, Coming out of Church, Winter in Highland, Feeding Time, Forest Scene, Fishing in the Alps, The Hell, In the Stream, Interrupted Sleep &c. Departure of Turnette, Table d'Hote, Calais Harbour, Preparing for the Bath, Painters Luncheon, Red Lamb just caught, Safe Harbours, Lord's Supper, Photographic Frame, Fancy Boxes, Musical Albums, Paper Pictures, &c., &c., &c., and various other well-selected drawings of important scenes of the late Franco-German War.

SADANUND SHRICRISTNAJEE & Co.

Bombay, 26th January 1874.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & CO.

40, Meadow Street.

AUCTION SALE of Landed Property in Roopjee Dhunjee Lane, within the Fort of Bombay.

On WEDNESDAY the 11th day of February 1874, at 4 o'clock in the forenoon, Messrs. NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on the premises, by order of Messrs. Cursetjee Manockjee Setna and Cursetjee Nowrojee Wadia, in pursuance of the decree made by the High Court of Bombay on the 4th day of Sept mber 1873, in S. S. No. 102 of 1872, wherein Bhugwandas Munmohundass, Tulsidass Munmohundass, Wishaldass Bhugwandass and Jadhowjee Bhugwandass are Plaintiffs, and Munmohundass David as and the said Cursetjee Manockjee Setna and Cursetjee Nowrojee Wadia are Defendants, the valuable landed property hereinafter firstly and secondly described in one lot, that is to say :—

Firstly.—All that piece of land, with messuage, or tenement (the lower portion of which is used as a stable) and other building thereon, situate and known as No. 18, in Roopjee Dhunjee Lane, otherwise called Munoordass Roopjee Lane, within the sub-district of Fort, in Bombay, containing by admeasurement 223 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on or towards the east by the premises hereinafter secondly described, on the west by the said Roopjee Dhunjee Lane, on or towards the south by the property of Varjeewandass Madhowdass, and on or towards the north by the public passage, and which said premises are numbered 609 in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue.

And secondly, all that piece of land adjoining the said firstly described premises, together with the messuage or tenements (the lower part whereof is or formerly was used as a stable) and buildings standing thereon, being No. 1 Rana art Row east, within the subdistrict of Fort, in Bombay, aforesaid, containing by admeasurement 284 square yards or thereabouts and bounded on the east by Rumpart Row east aforesaid, on the west by the premises firstly hereinbefore described, on the north and south by property of the said Varjeewandass Madhowdass, and which said premises are numbered 609 and 610 in the bo ks of the Collector of Land Revenue.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply at the office of the undersigned.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co.

Bombay, 26th January 1874.

CRAWFORD and COMPANY,
2, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.

USUAL AUCTION SALE.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 26th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms :—

10 Bales Grey Shirtings, 6 and 10 lb.
10 Cases Dhoties.
5 „ Prints.
5 „ T. Red Prints.
2 „ White Flannel.
2 Bales Broadcloth.

An Invoice of 4½, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 11 in. Electro-plated Table Stands, Piano and Chamber Stands, Butter Coolers, &c.

An Invoice of Marble Slabs, oblong and round, for round table and teapoys, also 2 pairs walnutwood teapoys with slabs, marble mortar and pestal.

SALE OF VERY SUPERIOR FRESH HAMS.

On WEDNESDAY next, the 28th instant, at 4 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms.

A consignment of about 12 barrels very superior fresh Belfast hams in cait of small sizes and just landed ex S.S. Persian.

SALE of Fresh Oilman-tores from the well-known and celebrated Purveyors, Crosse and Blackwell, just landed ex "Baldowan."

On WEDNESDAY next the 28th instant, at 2 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will submit to Public Auction, at their Room, an Invoice of fresh oilmanstores, consisting of assorted pickles, mush-room, ketsup, Harvey sauce, raspberry vinegar, essence of anchovies, assorted syrup, essence of coffee, salad oil, white wine vinegar, Durham mustard, tapioca, pearl barley, assorted tart fruits (1 lb. tins), assorted jams and jellies, Oxford and Bologna sausages, red herrings, assorted soups, Yarmouth bloaters, fresh herrings, lobsters, green peas, blackwell whitebait, Lancaster hire mushrooms, herrings a la sardines, Milton oysters, potted meats, Moore's cocoa and milk, Irish and Wiltshire bacon, Cheddar and Berkley cheese, Worcestershire sauce, Napoleon Prize pickles, &c.

Also, a few cases Coward perfumery and medicine, consisting of peppermint lozenges, carbonate of soda, tartaric acid, cream of tartar, Dalby's carminative glycerin : hrs dy fabrics, rose, assorted essences, aromatic vinegrete, lavender water, milk and oil of rose, rose lip salve, powder boxes and puffs and Jamaca pomatum.

SALE of a Cotton Ginning Manufactory and the houses, godowns, and outhouses attached thereto, and of a large piece of cultivated ground at Broach.

Under instructions from the mortgagee, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of February next, at 4 P.M., sell by public auction, at their rooms, No. 3, Marine Street, Bombay, on account and at the risk of the mortgagor, Mr. Byramshaw Dhunjeebhoy, the following valuable properties in one lot.

Lot No. 1.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate at Vinalpore in Broach, in the Presidency of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 54,783 square yards or thereabouts, together with the several messuages, tenements, cotton ginning manufactory, dwelling-houses, out-houses, and godowns, sub-houses and premises standing thereon, and all the machinery, fixtures, to-ls, and implements there-n and thereto belonging, which said piece of land and premises are bounded on the east by the property of the Moolajee of Surat, on the west partly by the fields called Bhungwa fields, and partly by the premises hereinafter secondly described, on the north partly by the high road and partly by the property hereinafter secondly described, and on the south by the fields belonging to the Pinjrapole institution at Broach.

Lot No. 2.

All that piece of cultivated land or ground called or known by the name of Hukeemjee's Vujeega, situate at Vinalpore, in Broach aforesaid, immed iately adjoining the premises hereinbefore firstly described, and containing by admeasurement 36,832 square yards or thereabouts, which said piece of ground is bounded on the east by a private road lying between and separating the said piece of land from the premises hereinbefore firstly described, on the west by the fields called Bhungwa fields on the north by the public road, and on the south partly by the premises hereinbefore firstly described and partly by the fields called Bhungwa fields.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

FOR SALE ON COMMISSION.

A pair of strong Deccan galloways, dark bays, with black points One 5, the other 6 years old. Both ride and drive, and go in double or single harness, and have been ridden by a Lady.

Also, a set of silver-plated English-made double harness in good order.

A Nasik-built tonga, complete, with hoods, lamps, pole, &c. together with a set of English-made curricle pony harness.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 26th January 1874.

SALES BY AUCTION.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & COMPANY,
No. 13, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of Cut Glassware, Porcelain, Plateware, Cutlery, sets of Britania metal Dish Covers, Table and hanging Argand Lamps, &c., in No. 59, Medows Street, Fort.

(Owing to the removal of Mr. Dadabhoy Cowasjee's Shop to No. 8, Medows Street, Fort.

TOMORROW, TUESDAY, the 27th instant, at 1 o'clock p.m. Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above-mentioned shop, in Medows Street, a large stock of cut glassware, comprising liqueur, claret, champaigne, wine and water goblets, tumblers, finger cups, wine coolers, pickle bottles, decanters, &c., white and gold table, soup, hot-water, dessert, and cheese plates, cheese stands and covers, plated cruet frames, double and plain candlesticks, bronze table lamps, plated single hanging argand lamps and drops, cutlery, metal dish covers, and sundry miscellaneous articles, inside, bottoms, chimneys, &c., &c.

No Catalogues, and the property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE of Handsome Household Furniture, Glass, Porcelain and Plated were, &c., at No. 12, Babcola Tank Road, behind Sudder Adawlut.

On FRIDAY the 30th instant, at 1 o'clock P.M. Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co. are instructed to sell by public auction, at the above-mentioned place, the property of a gentleman chan ing his residence, the same comprises glass, porcelain, and plated articles, cutlery &c., carved dining tables, sideboards, chairs, whatnots, conversation and sofa couches pier tables, chiffoniers, drawing room chairs, pictures tea and double breakfast tables, child's cots, copper cooking utensils and dozen articles, several pairs of slope lamps, &c.

No catalogues, and the property will be on view 4 days before the day of sale.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co.

Bombay, 26th January 1874.

MENESSE and COMPANY.

AUCTION SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY.

On WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. MENESSE and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the undermentioned landed property, on account and at the risk of the Mortgagor, Withuldass Sewlall, and by order of Rajaram Govundram, the Mortgagee.

All that piece of Government land or garden ground together with messuage or tenement standing thereon, situate without the Fort of Bombay, at Shetwaddy, in the sub-district of Bhoolesh-war, and registered in the books of the collector of land revenue under No. 136, and by the collector of assessment under Nos. 2,030 and 4,677 and is under survey Nos. 738 and 739, containing by admeasurement about 3,300 square yards, and bounded on the east by Shetwaddy 5th Cross Road, on the west and north by the property of Nillajee Luxmonjee, and on the south by the property of Bapoobhai Gunbhaee.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply of Messrs. Snapoor jee and Thakoordass, solicitors to the undersigned.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 26th January 1873.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY (BUNGALOW) AT THE SOUTH SIDE OF GAMDAVI ROAD.

DAY AFTER TO-MORROW WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of January 1874, at 4 P.M., Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises, by order of Mortgagees, Gopicabai, wife of Mr. Jo onnath Gopinathjee, Mr. Dinanath Gopinathjee, and Mr. Nanabhoy Gopinathjee, with the consent of the Official Assignee and *In Re* Purseetum Janardunjee, Gomtibai, widow of Janardun Rameshunderjee, Mortgagee (now Insolvents), the following valuable landed property, viz.:

All that piece or parcel of land or ground or cart of plantation, called Gamdavi Cart, together with the mes usage, tenement, dwelling-house or bungalow standing thereon, situate on the south side of Gamdavi Road, in the sub-district of Bhoolesh-war, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 5,470 square yards or thereabouts, and the said piece or ground is considered in the Books of Collector of Land Revenue under Pension and Tax No. 66, and the house or bungalow is assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 25, standing in the name of Purseetum Janardunjee, and bounded on the east by the cart of Mr. Dwarkajee Mano kjee, on the west and south by the said Gamdavi Road, and on the north by the cart of Mr. Khoosal Jugonnathjee.

For further particulars and condition of sale apply at the Official Assignee, High Court, or to the undersigned.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.

Bombay, 26th January 1874.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOW READY,

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Doors open at 8 o'clock; performance to commence at 9 o'clock P.M.

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ON SATURDAY, 31st JANUARY 1874,

A SPECIAL AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE

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At 3 o'clock P.M.

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Family Tickets to admit three persons (First Class)—Rs. 6.
First Class, Rs. 3. Second Class, Rs. 1. Pit, 8 Annas.

CHILDREN HALF PRICE TO FIRST & SECOND CLASS ONLY.

Mr. A. FEITELSOHN begs to offer his apologies to the public who were disappointed on Friday Night last, and Saturday Afternoon, by there being no performance, and he assures them that the Tent is again erected and properly and securely protected from any similar occurrence.

Tickets may be obtained of Messrs. SOUNDY, BRESLAUER, & Co., where a Plan of the Theatre can be seen and Seats secured.

A. FEITELSOHN, Proprietor.
Wm. BURTON, Agent.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

GOODS AND PARCELS TO AND FROM BOMBAY AND BYCULLA.

1. On and after MONDAY next, the 26th instant, and until further Notice, the following arrangements with respect to GOODS and PARCELS recd ed at, and forwarded from, the Bombay Stations, Boree Bunder, and Carnac Bunder, and the Byculla Station of this Railway will take effect, viz :—

2. The Company will not undertake the collection of Goods in Bombay or at Byculla, but will accept all classes of Goods for despatch by this Railway at either Boree Bunder, or Byculla, or Carnac Bunder, at charges which will be 4 pies per maund less than the rates which include collection, now in force for the several descriptions of Goods respectively.

3. Full Pressed Cotton for Bombay will be booked to either Boree Bunder or Carnac Bunder only, at the option of the Sender. When booked to Boree Bunder the present rates will be charged, and the Cotton will be delivered in any part of Bombay, or Byculla, or Colaba. When booked to Carnac Bunder the rates will be reduced 4 pies per maund, and the Cotton will be delivered by the Company at the Sidings only.

Other description of Cotton will be booked to Boree Bunder only, and will be delivered by the Company at the present rates.

4. All other Goods for Bombay may be booked to either Boree Bunder, or Carnac Bunder, or to Byculla.

When booked to Boree Bunder, or Byculla, they will be charged at the present carted rates, and delivered by the Company in any part of Bombay, or Byculla, or Colaba; or, if Senders desire it, Goods will be booked at the not carted rate, and delivered to Consignees at the Station. The not carted rate is four pies per maund less than the rate when the Company perform the delivery service.

When booked to Carnac Bunder, Goods will be charged at 4 pies per maund less than the present carted rates, and will be delivered by the Company at the sidings only.

But Consignments of less than 27 maunds in weight will not be booked to Carnac Bunder ; and Grain and Seed, in consignments of more than 27 maunds, will not be booked to Byculla.

5. But these arrangements do not affect the charges upon any Goods for which special rates have been granted, which do not include the services of loading or unloading, or collection, or delivery, in Bombay or at Byculla. Such Goods will be dealt with, and charged, as heretofore.

6. Parcels will not be collected by the Company in Bombay or at Byculla, But the Company will continue to deliver Parcels, as may be required in Bombay or Byculla, or Colaba, at the present charge of 2 pies per seer added to the charge for conveyance by Railway. Parcels will not be booked to, or despatched from, Carnac Bunder.

HENRY CONDER,
General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 24th January 1874.

MESSRS. WALKER AND HACKING'S COTTON SPINNING MACHINERY.

MESSRS. RICHARD WALKER AND BRO.'S ENGINES, BOILERS, MILL GEARING, &c.

MESSRS. ZIPFER WALKER'S LOOMS & PREPARATION.

MR. HENRY MILNE WALKER, representing the above Firms, is now in Bombay, and will be glad to give estimates for all kinds of Machinery used in the Preparation, Spinning, and Weaving of Cotton.

Messrs. WALKER and HACKING beg to inform the Proprietors of the various Cotton Manufacturing Companies in the Bombay Presidency, that they have made at their Works and supplied Cotton Mills in England, France, Germany, Russia, Italy, Greece, Canada, and North and South America, with the following Machinery, viz., nearly upwards of

3,000 Scutchers.	14,000 Carding Engines.	12,000 Throstles.	
	19,000 Spinning Frames.	6,000 Mules.	

Estimates given for complete Mills, including every requisite, and experienced men engaged and sent out to India if required to fit up and work the Machinery.

All Letters of Inquiry to be addressed to

H. M. WALKER,
Care of Messrs. Gaddum & Co., Bombay.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE, a THEODOLITE and LEVEL, both by TROUGHTON and SIMS. Price moderate. Apply to "E. P." at this Office.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

ON and after the 1st December 1873, Messrs. KING, KING & Co.'s Offices will be REMOVED to No. 4, Church Lane, Bombay, lately vacated by Messrs. Dennie, Sowell, and Co. All Communications, Parcels, and Cases should be addressed in full as follows :—KING, KING & Co., Army Agents, 4, Church Lane, Bombay.

NOTICE.—The Interest and Responsibility of Mr. DAVID E. GOSTLING in our Firm CEASED on the 31st ultimo.

SCOTT, McCLELLAND, & Co.

Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 1st, Jan. 1874.

NOTICE—With reference to the above Advertisement, the Undersigned has THIS DAY commenced practice as an ARCHITECT and CIVIL ENGINEER. He is prepared to make Designs for Iron Bridges, Civil and Public Buildings, to advise and arbitrate on Professional Matters, and to make Final Measurements and Accounts of Contract Works.

DAVID E. GOSTLING, C.E.,
Fellow Royal Inst. Brit. Architects.

Office, National Bank Building, Bombay, 1st Jan. 1874.

THE BOMBAY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY (LIMITED).

ALLOTMENTS of SHARES in the above Society are now being made, and as a large proportion of the proposed Capital has been subscribed, the Directors have decided to commence operations.

Applications for Shares will still be entertained ; but those wishing to avail themselves of the advantages the Society offers, should send in their applications for Shares AT ONCE. Due Notice will be given to Shareholders of the arrival of the first supplies, now being ordered, and of the opening of the business premises.

C. E. MITCHELL & Co.,
Secretaries and Agents.

Bombay, 16th January 1874.

BOMBAY SCOTTISH EDUCATION SOCIETY.

BYCULLA SCHOOL—PARELL ROAD.

Head Master—Mr. James McDonald, } With Assistants.
Head Mistress—Mrs. McDonald, }

FORT SCHOOL—51, HORNBY ROW.

Head Master—Mr. A. D. Sheaton, } With Assistants.
Head Mistress—Mrs. Sheaton, }

Music Master—Mr. Joseph Schmuck.

D. C. BOYD, } Honorary Secretaries.
D. MACPHERSON, }

Boarders (Boys and Girls) are received by Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, and by Mr. and Mrs. Smeaton.

Bombay, January, 1874.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Undersigned on or before the 15th proximo, for CONSTRUCTION and REPAIRS of ROADS, BRIDGES, CULVERTS, DRAINS, DHURRUMSALAS, DISPENSARIES, &c., in the Surat Collectorate. Detailed List of all the works to be executed can be seen on application at the Office of the Executive Engineer for Local Funds Works, where a Form of Tender can be had.

2. No Tenders will be received unless accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 100 as earnest-money. Each tender to specify the works for which it is submitted.

3. The names of partners tendering to be stated in full, and no other partner will afterwards be recognized without proper notice and permission from the President.

4. The Local Fund Committee does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order,
W. H. WHITE,
Local Fund Engineer, Surat Collectorate.

Local Fund Engineer's Office, Surat, 13th Jan. 1874.

NOTICE is hereby given, that MEMONS FUTTEY MOHMED SHURIFF and HOSAIN SURIFF, the Administrators of the Estate and Effects of the late MEMON JOOMA AHMED JUNOO, have contracted to sell to MEMON CASSUM ALLEY, of Bombay, Mahomedan Inhabitant, all those two pieces of Ezzundaree land or ground, with the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate, lying, and being at Memon Wada Street, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 149 4/9 square yards, and bounded as follows, that is to say :—on the east by the said Memon Wada Street, on the west by a sweepers' passage belonging to the said premises, on the north by the house of Hajee Abauttar Hajee Ebram, and on the south by the vacant ground of Memon Hajee Osoman Adut, and which said hereditaments and premises were formerly and are now vacant, and which said hereditaments and premises are assessed by the Collector of Assessment under Nos. 43 and 44. All persons having a claim against the said property, by way of sale, gift, mortgage, inheritance, or otherwise, are hereby required to make the same known in writing, to Messrs. MACFARLANE and SKIPSEY, the Purchaser's Attornies, within 14 days from this date, otherwise the Sale will be completed after the above period without reference to any such claim.—Dated this 20th day of January 1874.

J. NEUBERG,
BOMBAY.

JUST LANDED, PER S. S. SUNDA,

AN EXTRA FINE ASSORTMENT OF MANILL

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SATURDAY, 24TH JANUARY.

The rates of Exchange on London have been very uncertain to-day, there being few buyers of ready bills. A good deal will depend on the advices from Calcutta regarding the course of Exchange for closing transactions on Monday.

Government Securities are still in slightly better demand.

Bank Bills, 6 months' sight ..... 1s. 11 9/16d. to ⅝
Bank Bills, 3 months' sight ..... 1s. 11 5/16d. to ⅝
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1s. 11⅝d. to 2/16d.
Documents, 6 months' sight ..... 1s. 11 15/16d.
Credit Bills, 6 do. ..... 1s. 11 13/16d. to ⅝
Documents, 3 do. ..... 1s. 11 11/16d.
Credit, 3 do. ..... 1s. 11 9/16d. to ⅝

On Calcutta Bank Bills, 60 days' sight nominal.
Do demand ..... par

On Madras 30 days' sight 99⅞
Do, demand ..... par

On China House Bills, 60 days' sight. 218.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Five-and-a-half per cent. 107
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New French Loan instalment paper of 1872 ... ½ " "
Paris Municipal Loan (Debenture Rs. 117½ per Bond) .....

Rates of ...

...BULLION, &c.

...MARKET REPORT.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Rates unchanged. Little business doing.

London: Cotton ..... / Cases ..... / Seeds ..... } No ship

Liverpool: Iron Ships Cotton ..... £2 10s. 0d. / Wooden Ships ,, ... £2 10s. 0d. nominal. / Myrabollams ..... £2 5s. 0d. / Coir bills ..... £1 0s. 0d.

Seeds ..... £2 5s. 0d.

Havre ...: Cotton ..... / Coffee ..... } £2 17s 6d

Overland Steamers—
London ..... £3 5s. 0d.
Venice ..... £3 0s. 0d.
Trieste ..... £3 2s. 6d.
Liverpool ..... £3 2s. 6d.
Havre Cotton ..... £3 10s. 0d.

Liverpool via Suez Canal ...: Wheat ..... / Seeds ..... / Cotton ..... £2 15s. 0d. £2 15s. 0d. £2 15s. 0d.

...hina ...: Steamer Cotton ..... Rs. 20 per ton. / Opium ..... Rs. 25 to 30 per chest. / Sailing Ships ..... Rs. 4 per bale nominal

Calcutta ...Salt ..... Rs. 4 per ton.
Calcutta to Bombay ..... Rs. 15 port charges.
Mauritius ..... Nothing doing.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

SATURDAY, 24TH JANUARY.

Moderate demands for Bank of Bombay 2nd Issue at better rates. Spinning shares closed quiet.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nominal value Rs.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
160,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Agra Bank	90
12,000	1,000	all	7½ p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,460
10,000	500	all	12 p.ct.	Do of Bombay New	750
10,000	500	106	12 p.ct.	Do 2nd Res. issue	375
5,250	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,120
10,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. & China	265
40,000	281½	all	12 pct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	450 nl
40,000	200	all	5 pct.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	200
11,000	250	125	8 p.ct.	National Bank of India	128
8,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	495

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

.....	£20	21[illegible]·0	p.c	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	23[illegible] ex d.
.....	£20	109·15	do.	Do. New £20 Shares	126
.....	£20	43·10·2	do.	Ditto	
.....	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1,125
.....	£18	19·5·1	do.	Do. New Shares	

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs. 60	Colaba Land C	1,380
5,000	150	all	Nil.	Frere Land & Pier Co. Ld.	114
750	2,000	2,000	30p.a.	Mazagon Land	940
5,000	1,000	all	15p.a.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	380

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

620	1,250	all	112½ p.a.	Alexandra Spinning	1,500
5'0	2,500	all	140*	Alliance Spinning	2,750
800	2,000	all		Bhowanagur M. & P. Co.	1,975
900	1,000	all	60*	Bombay United	1,310
1,600	150	150	25*	Broach Mills	265
2,500	2,000	all	50p.	Dhurumsey Spinning	1,705
750	2,000	all	200p.a.	Great Eastern	2,650
750	1,000	all		Jewraj Ballo Mills	1,290
1,500	1,000	all	75 p.a.	Manockji Petit's	1,440
900	1,000	all	160p.a.	Morarjee Spinning	1,295
800	2,500	a l	150p.a.	Oriental	3,850
600	2,500	400	200p.	Royal	2,275
80·	1,000	1 all	...	Soondercbai Spinning	1,750

* For share for the half-year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,850	160 p.a.	Akbar Cotton Press Co.	1,650
200	2,000	1,100	150do	Albert Co. Kurrachee	900
150	500	421	8% p.a.	Albert Ginning Co.	500
250	3,000	69	Nil.	Alexandra Press Co.	215
184	12,000	1,000	100p.a.	Apollo Press Co.	5,500
200	2,000	all	...	Berar Cotton G. & P. Co.	1,175
200	2,000	all	200p.a.	Bombay Press Co.	250
200	500	all	50 p.a.	Do New	275
350	1,000	1,000	100 p.a.	Broach Cotton Co	500
100	1,500	...	...	Carwar Company	700
500	1,000	all	60	Colaba Press Co.	3,900
250	9,000	all	250p.a.	East India Press Co.	2,700
150	8,500	all	900	Fort Press Co.	4,200
200	2,000	1,800	75 p.a.	Framji Cowasji Press Co	430
300	1,000	all	70 p.a.	French Press Co	625
250	5,000	1,462	75 p.a.	Imperial Press Co	750
200	400	350	60 p.a.	Mofussil Press & G. Co.	560
600	2,000	5 00	...	Nicol Press Manuf. Co., Ld	1,800
128	2,500	750	125 p.a.	Prince of Wales Press	1,800
200	1,000	all	...	Samoon's Press Co.	900
400	850	750	135 p.a.	Scinde Press Co.	500
146	1,000	750	...	Scinde and Punjab Cotton Press Co., Limited	1,100
3·	1,500	1,350	Rs. 80	Victoria Press, Madras	1,110
184	850	all	90 p.a.	Vic. Cot. Gin & Press Co.	850
466	1,000	all	80 p.a.	Volkart United Press Co.	950

* Per share for the half year.

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

			Date of L'dation.		
.....	95	19½	...	Bank of China	1
.....	250	2	Mar. '66	Central Bank	1
.....	...	...	...	East India Bank	1
.....	200	13	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula	1
.....	200	70½	May '67	Royal Bank	0

SALES AND PURCHASES.

PIECE GOODS.

The market on Saturday closed dull, with very little doing. The following sales are reported :—

1,000 pieces Grey Shirtings 40 in. 39 yds. 8½ lbs. at Rs. 5 0 0
500 ,, ,, ,, 45 ,, 39 ,, 8½ ,, at ,, 5 1 6
500 ,, ,, ,, 45 ,, 39 ,, 9 ,, at ,, 6 0 0
2,000 ,, White Mulls 45 ,, 20 ,, at ,, 2 11 0
1,200 ,, ,, ,, 40 ,, 20 ,, at ,, 2 9 0

COTTON.

Reuter's of Friday's date reports the Liverpool market as closing heavy, with Surats dull and drooping. There is no change whatever in the prices of Fair Dholleras, Oomrawuttees, and Orleans, being respectively quoted at 5 5/16d., 5¾d. and 8 9/16d. per lb. Sales amount to only 10,000 bales. From Calcutta we have received no advices on account of the holidays. The cotton market here continues extremely dull, and about 1,800 candies have changed hands at a further decline of Rs. 3 to 5 per candy. The following are our closing quotations :—

New Oomrawuttee (Feb. delivery) ..... Rs. 185 to Rs. 187
,, Akote (,, ,,) ..... ,, 188 to ,, 190
,, Broach M. G. (March ,,) ..... ,, 198 to ,, 200
,, Hinguughaut ..... ,, 224 to ,, 225
,, Dholleras (April delivery) ..... ,, 171 to ,, 173
Old Dholleras ..... ,, 159 to ,, 160
,, Sawginned ..... ,, 175 to ,, 177
,, Vingorla ..... ,, 162 to ,, 165

The undermentioned purchases are reported to have been made by European firms on Saturday :—

750 candies New Nuggur ..... at Rs. 176-78
250 ,, ,, Dholleras April ..... at ,, 172
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25 ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ... at ,, 200
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50 ,, ,, Akote, Feb. delivery ..... at ,, 186-91
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25 ,, ,, Kirkee ..... at ,, 185
80 ,, ,, Julgaum ..... at ,, 175
100 ,, Old Dhelle a W. Selection ..... at ,, 147

YARNS.

Nothing has been done.

METALS.

No sales are reported.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
24	Asia (s)	Gray	Ostch, Jan. 22.
	Flora	Cameron	Live p ol. Sept. 13.
	Thunderbolt	Goldsworthy	Liverpool, Oct. 13.
	Surina	Garre	Mauritius, Nov. 19.
25	Ocean (s)	Nacoda	Cu'ch, Jan. 22.
	Zodiac	Garrick	Sunderland, Aug. 7.

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
24	H. M. S. Dalhousie	Warner	Aden.
	Night Hawk	Blaney	Calcutta.
	W. H. Atkinson (s)	Harland	Liverpool.
	Paraguay (s)	Williamson	Kurrachee.
	Assyria (s)	Howell	Coast, Calcutta & China.

The following vessels were entered out for loading on Saturday last :—
Steamer Hindocstan, to Aden and Suez.
Steamer Euphrates, to Persian Gulf via Kurrachee.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.
20 Mahratta (s) ..... Ewart ..... Khook Phoo, Jan. 16.
Kingston ..... Vanstone ..... London, Oct.
Star of Albion ..... Mahood
21 Stockbridge ..... Cockburn

...DAILY IMPORTS.—24TH JANUARY.

FROM LONDON.

Annot Lyle, 50 boxes bar soap, Jewabhoy Sultanally; 83 packages glassware Fukeerji Pestonji,
Accrington, 128 kegs iron nails, Farulaly Moosabhoy.
Muriel, s, 14 cases thread, Volkart Bros.
Lorne, s, 12 casks brass wire, and 150 boxes tinplates, Volkart Bros.
Ariel, s, 1,762 bars and 566 bundles iron, Khimjee Jews; 22 casks paints, Abdoolhuseon Abdoolcuhim; 3,412 bars and 200 bundles iron Abdoolrahim Sallemahomed; 1,771 bars iron, Tejpall Gopiee.
Good Hope, s, 12 bales papers, Hassum Jamaahomed & Co; 5 bales papers, Byramjee Shapurjee; 5 kegs phia s, Abdoolrussul Esram.
Nio, s, 100 drums linseed oil, Hajee Esmail Jaitha.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Burdigals, 50 cases brandy, Jemsetjee Nowrojee.

FROM GENOA.

Arabia, s, 12 cases sauterne, 100 cases brandy, and 50 cases moselle, Pochajee Framjee & Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—24TH JANUARY.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Mistress of the Seas, 28 bales wool waste, Damoder Hoerjee; 45 bales wool waste, Bunichund Fuckerchund; 40 bales cotton, Jairam Ruttonsey.
Lady Allan, 180 bales cotton, Peel Cassels & Co; 500 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.
Benefactress, 250 bales cotton, Campbell Mitchell & Co.
Amoyne, 30 tons old iron, and 2 tons old rubber, Narrondass Rajaram & Co.
Contest, 209 bags sursee seed, Soonderdass Mooljee.
Dunraven, s, 100 bales cotton, Lyon & Co; 35 bales wool, Topun Inderjee; 75 bales wool, David Sassoon & Co; 5 cases cardamons, Tribhowan Mohundas; 50 bales wool, Nusserwanjee Manockjee & Co.
South Tyne, s, 100 bales cotton, Grendon Tippet & Co; 50 bales cotton, E Spinner & Co; 50 bales cotton, Campbell Mitchell & Co; 40 cwts coir yarn & 3 bales cotton, S. Tyabjee & Co; 30 bales wool, Payraj Luckmidass.
Consett, s, 100 bales cotton, Hajee Mirza Shuffee Mishkee; 31 bales cotton, Hurnaron Manockram; 134 bales cotton, Killick Nixon & Co; 500 packages wet dates, Pranjeewandass Hurjeewandass.
Ariel, s, 101 bales wool, Nursey Khatow; 1 bale cotton, K. Gurmukhsing; 131 cwts coir fibre, Hajee Mitha Cassum; 45 bales wool, Cullianjee Pittamber.

FOR LONDON.

Bertha, s, 500 bags linseed, Ralli Brothers.
China, s, 16 cwts fish maws, Mecrally Dama.
Good Hope, s, 34 cases peacock feathers, Pianque Vinay & Co; 835 bags coffee, The B. I. S. N. Co; 3 bales hides and skins, Finlay Scott & Co; 275 cwts horns, Dawood Hassum.

FOR GENOA.

Arabia, s, 100 bales cotton, Nusserwanjee Manuckjee & Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Hindoostan, s, 379 bags coffee, P. & O. Co.
Stamford, s, 300 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.

FOR HAVRE.

China, s, 50 bales cotton, George Lockhart & Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Hindoostan, 2, 720 bags coffee, and 922 bags pepper, P. & O. Co.

FOR VENICE.

Hindoostan, s, 400 bales cotton, P. & O. Co.

FOR PORT SAID.

Arabia, s, 4 cases indigo, S. M. Abdoollatiff.

FOR SUEZ.

Malwa, s, 131/2 cwts indigo, H. Z. Abadin; 50 slabs tin blocks, Lalcobhoy Moolchund; 30 bundles Singapore Canes, Behrend Brothers.

FOR HONGKONG.

Delhi, s, 1 bundle ivory, D. J. Hoosein's Sons & Co; 23 chests opium, Thakurseedass Sewadass; 23 chests opium, Dadabhoy Cowasjee Tata; 351/2 chests opium, Natharam Joorawurmull; 24 chests opium, Hurdayal Esurdass; 199 chests opium, David Sassoon & Co; 277 pieces ivory, D. G. Husson's Sons & Co; 158 chests opium, E. D. Sassoon; 6 chests opium, T. Sewanmull.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Delhi, s, 22 chests opium, R. Dhunjeeshaw & Co; 231/2 chests opium; Mugnulall Purbhoodass; 21 chests opium, Varachund Setaram; 2 chests opium, Roognath Jugnath; 40 chests opium, T. Gunshumdass.

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 23.

Anderson, Colonel, Political Department, from furlough, from England.
Lamb, Surgeon Major, Army Medical Department, on leave, from Mount Aboo.
Mayhew, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, on duty, from Baroda.

DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 24.

Robinson, Colonel, Bengal Royal Engineers, from leave, to Calcutta.
Lidderdale, Major, Madras Staff Corps, on duty, to Cannanore.
Caulfeild, Lieutenant-Colonel, Madras, 1st Cavalry, on duty, to Secunderabad.
Lamb, Surgeon Major, Army Medical Department, on duty, to Poona.
Johnstone, Deputy Surgeon General, Indian Medical Department, on duty, to Deolalee.
Mayhew, Lieutenant, Royal Artillery, on duty, to Aden.

JANUARY 25.

Joseph, Captain, Public Works Department, on duty, to Ajmere.

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Compiled for despatch by to-day's Mail.

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BIRTHS.

BURKITT—January 19th, at Mozuffernugger, the wife of W. R. Burkitt, Esq., C. S., of a daughter.
EASTON—January 20th, at Jounpore, the wife of Mr. J. M. Easton, C. E., Oudh and Rohilkund Railway, of a daughter.
MORROW—January 18th, at Calcutta, the wife of Mr. James Morrow, D. P. W., of a daughter.
PEDDIE—January 19th, at Allahabad, the wife of Graham Peddie, C. E., of a son.
ROSE—January 21st, at Baugalore, the wife of Lieut.-Col. W. Rose, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter.

DEATH.

EDWARDS—January 19th, at Motecharee Factory, Chumparun, Eliza, relict of the late Captain Charles Edwards, aged 51 years.
LONERGAN—January 20th, at Calcutta, of phthisis, Arthur Staunton Lonergan, aged 20 years 5 months 8 days.
NEWING—January 21st at Calcutta, Mr. W. T. H. Newing, aged 36 years.
NORRIS—January 21st, at Bellary, the infant son of Mr G. H. Norris, Madras Railway.
STRETTELL—January 20th, at Cannanore, Mary, the infant daughter of Captain J. E. F. Strettell, 9th Regiment N. I., aged 8 days.
TAYLOR—January, 21st, at Egmore, aged 3 months, Lilian Maie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor.
WILLES January 19th, at Umballa, Charlotte, the wife of Colonel J. I. Willes, Bengal Staff Corps, aged 43 years.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1874.

Mr. Gladstone has determined to "go to the country" with a cry which will arouse a storm of political controversy such as England has not seen the like of since the days of the first Reform Bill. Convinced at last that there is something real in the Conservative reaction, and fortified by the possession of an unparalleled surplus of five millions sterling, the Prime Minister has resolved to stake the destinies of his own Government and the Liberal party on the issue of an appeal to the constituencies. But the other day Mr. Gladstone spoke of the proposal to assimilate the borough and country franchise in the weary, uncertain, tone of a man who has played his part in the world, and is anxious only for retirement and rest. Now, with that strange, decisive, swiftness of purpose which in Mr. Gladstone's mind follows as a flash of statesmanlike genius on prolonged perplexity and hesitation of thought,—everyone must remember how, after years of harassing mental conflict, he one day electrified the House of Commons by declaring that "the Irish Church must be disestablished"—the Prime Minister accepts almost the whole of Mr. Chamberlain's Radical programme, and asks the country to support him in accomplishing a new revolution. He is in favour, he tells his constituents at Greenwich, of Free Schools or secular education, and Free Land. He pauses yet for a moment—for the spirit of the monk is still strong in him—in demanding a Free Church also. But this too will come; for whoever has read the deeply interesting study of his own character which Mr. Gladstone published in the form of a Chapter of Autobiography four years ago must have been satisfied that nothing could arrest his progress to the adoption of a Radicalism as extreme as was the Toryism of his youth. But the programme as it stands is wide enough to excite such intense political feeling at the next general election as this generation of Englishmen has not witnessed. It is, in fact, war to the knife now between the two great political parties; and the Conservatives must fight with desperate energy, for, if they are routed in this last contest, they will disappear as a political power from the page of English history.

But does Mr. Gladstone himself believe that the people will give him a majority when this Parliament is dissolved? Does not his programme, after all, look more like that of a far-sighted politician who sees that his party have a long term of opposition to undergo, and who wishes to give them something to work for and to keep them together while they are out of office? It is true that he has the splendid bait of an abolition of the income-tax to offer to the constituencies, and that this is especially tempting to the professional class, which is naturally Conservative, and which has always hitherto been bitterly hostile to Mr. Gladstone. But it must be borne in mind that the Prime Minister will be compelled to bring forward his budget and to make his reductions of taxation (which seem to include the boon of "a free breakfast table") before Parliament is dissolved. Now, gratitude is a feeling which has no place in politics. The constituencies will be glad to be relieved of the payment of income-tax and "duties on articles of consumption;" but they will criticize none the less freely, once these boons have been accorded them, the conduct of the Minister who may [illegible] them under[illegible]

[illegible] but, instead of [illegible]ting, Mr. Gladstone seems to [illegible] that he can revive the popular enthusiasm of 1868 by inviting the people to decree a new list of revolutionary changes which must be as distasteful to the Whig nobles and to all the moderate men among his own supporters as they are to the Conservatives. The country longs chiefly for the administrative vigour which will give it quiet at home and for a sound foreign policy which will restore its reputation abroad; and Mr. Gladstone offers it secular education and amendments of the land, game, and liquor laws. The new Liberal policy will, then, we venture to say, be repudiated by the constituencies; and we shall not be surprised if, after the general election, Mr. Disraeli comes into power as the head of a following stronger than any Conservative Minister has had at his back since Sir Robert Peel broke up the party in 1845.

The Times of India, in rejoinder to our article of Thursday last, regarding the Pahlunpore extension, remarks—"When a writer sits down to demolish a proposal he dislikes, but in doing so takes little or no notice of what his opponent has said, the result of his lucubrations can scarcely be of much assistance towards informing the public mind on the subject." We are of opinion that it is not of so much service to inflict long-winded articles on the public as to bring forward important data for forming a judgment on points at issue. Were it an object simply to fill our columns with so much matter, we might find enough to fill to them to over-flowing in some of the curious statements regarding railways which appear in the *Times of India's* articles. We leave it to the public to judge whether the *Times of India's* last effusion can in any way be said to show that the writer understands real evidence or attaches importance to anything but what supports the narrow gauge in every position.

The argument deemed to be *illicit*, regarding the utilisation of existing surplus stores, we are quite aware would be illicit were we to compare the merits of the narrow and broad gauge; but we are not confined to doing this. Its suitability under existing circumstances to the particular case in point is what has to be decided. Most people know that the Railway Companies have an excessive supply of stores which Government have been making every effort to reduce, as these stores inflict a burden on the State for guaranteed interest without returning a farthing. It is believed that the surplus stores amount to over a million and a half sterling on all the railways. The evil has arisen no doubt from the avidity with which stores were sent out originally far in excess of probable requirements, for which it is easy to imagine the five per cent. commission on all orders must be an adequate explanation. The speedy utilisation of these stores is of great importance, provided their place is not supplied by fresh orders from England, and, as Government have the power of withholding sanction to indents, it is not likely they will allow fresh material to be obtained.

The comparison drawn by the *Times of India* between the Wurdha Valley Railway and the Raepore line is not a fair one. The Wurdha valley line is laid with 68lb. mostly steel rails; it is provided with a wire fence, has full two feet depth of ballast, and is in every respect a first-class broad gauge line. It runs, moreover, through an undulating country. The Raepore line is, it is believed, like all other State railways to be laid with the 40lbs. rail. It will be unfenced, and will have only 1½ feet depth of ballast. Take, however, as examples of metre gauge lines the Holkar State Railway, the Veerawul and Joonaghur line, and the projected Carwar line, in all cases excluding cost of rolling-stock and interest in capital during construction. The Holkar State Railway is unfenced, and is furnished in all details as a State railway for the first section just finished of thirty-three miles over a roughish country up to the Nerbudda. The cost has been about Rs. 46,000, and, when contractors' claims are settled, may amount to Rs. 50,000. Add to this, taken as the average expenditure over the whole line, the cost of the Nerbudda viaduct and the Limrole Ghaut, and the total cost for each mile of line will probably not fall short of £9,000 or £10,000. The Veerawul and Joonaghur line was estimated by Mr. Forde to cost Rs. 40,738 per mile and by the Consulting Engineer Rs. 45,000, to be provided with a 40lbs. rail, unfenced, bridges, stations, &c., designed mostly according to the Indian standard metre gauge types, rolling-stock to cost Rs. 6,000 per mile extra. There is a great deal of bridging on this section. The line between Carwar and Bellary, 233 miles long, which, excepting the Ghaut portion, is easy throughout, was estimated to cost, exclusive of rolling-stock and interest during construction, 138 lacs or Rs. 60,000 per mile. This railway was designed on the standard gauge type. The section from Gudduck to Bellary over an easy country and crossing only the Toongabudra, which it would cost two lacs to bridge, was estimated at forty-eight lacs, or at the rate of Rs. 52,000 per mile.

Now take extensions of the B. B. and C. I. on the broad gauge :—

Patree Line.—Broad gauge; laid with 48 lb. rails, 15 inch ballast, unfenced; easy country. Cost Rs. 34,000 per mile. If carried out on a 60 lb. rail would probably have cost under Rs. 40,000.

Wudwan Extension.—Laid with a 60 lb. rail; 18 inch ballast—considerable amount of banking, but country level—mostly unfenced; cost Rs. 55,000 per mile.

Projected Extension to Meysanna.—Rather a lighter section of line than the Wudwan; to be laid with 60 lb. rail, unfenced; is estimated to cost Rs. 52,000, for just the same class of line in fact as the Kattywar extension.

Dakore Branch from Anund.—Cost including payment to Local Fund for road taken over from them, with 60 lb. rails, will be about Rs. 42,000 a mile over an easy country.

The dead-weight argument, about which much has been said, may be equally applied to both the 3' 3" and 5' 6" gauge. There is no reason why the proportion of dead weight to paying load should not be about the same on both gauges. The metre gauge has a quantity of excellent new design of rolling-stock, in which the dead weight is reduced to a minimum, and the carrying capacity increased to the utmost; and when the standard gauge build new stock the same points receive attention. The absurdity of the one-sided view which the *Times of India* persists in taking of the possible proportions of dead weight to paying load on different gauges is whimsically exposed in the following paragraph from a valuable pamphlet on *Railway Gauges* published last year by an American engineer :—

"Is there any sane person who can show any good reason why a railway car (or wagon, as it is called in England) can be built for a narrow-gauge railway to carry 2½ times its own weight, and the same cannot be done for wagons to run on the standard-gauge? As this matter of the ratio of dead to live weight in favour of narrow-gauge has been so often stated, and so persistently forced upon public notice, and as I began to fear I was not sane on the subject, as I could not see the thing, although it was in plain English and big print in the *Times*, I went to various engineers and wagon-builders to propound to them this problem relating to dead and live weight, and I found them just as insane as I was; they could not see or believe that there was any good reason. They say that the same wheel will be of the same weight, and carry as much if run on narrow as on any other gauge; that the side-sills of car of same size will bear the same if of same wood, and distance between supports the same; that, if the axles are longer, it must be recollected the floor of wagon is wider for standard-gauge, and will carry more; the springs, brakes, buffers, couplings, bearings, pedestals bolts, etc., if of the same size and material, will weigh no more, cost [illegible] be no less efficient if [illegible] standard [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

BANGALORE CAMP OF EXERCISE.

KISTNAVERUM, 19TH JANUARY.

THE department most open to complaint is not in this case the D. P. W., but the General Post Office, as the glorious uncertainty of the battle-field is fully exemplified, when letters from Bangalore (a distance of less then six miles) take ten days to reach their destination. Judging things by the rule of simple proportion, your news may be reasonably expected somewhere about three weeks after date. However, there being no help for it, there is very little use in grumbling. The week's parades concluded in much the same manner, the only attempt at something new being in the first division "a sham fight," or rather an attempt to take an intrenched position, mentioned in the former letter as tried by a brigade separately and on the present occasion by the whole division, one (first) brigade defending and "second" attacking. There was no fault to find with the arrangements, everything being carried out as per instructions; and the second brigade found a hopeless task allotted to them, the position being unassailable, except by an "overwhelming force," or as stated in a previous letter, under more favourable circumstances than "broad daylight and open attack." The only advantage gained by either side was the taking of outposts by the attacking party. This was counterbalanced by the heavy fire from the trenches, which rendered it an impossibility to advance further. After "hammering away" whilst a round was left, "cease fire" was sounded, and the umpires proceeded to discuss operations, arriving at the very clear decision that the first brigade had the best of it, as they were not driven from their stronghold. All this points to one conclusion, viz., that the *result* of manœuvres is always planned along with *the manœuvres themselves*. If no orders to the contrary are given, this battle is to be fought over again on Friday next on different ground, and the probability is that the second brigade will take it, should it be attempted. So far nothing has been excuted which could not have been done in any station for troops in India; the real "ultimatum" of camps of exercise, *i.e.*, "attack and defence" by bodies of troops on a large scale, and the combined movements of cavalry, infantry, and artillery, never having been commenced, although the various representatives of each arm of the service have been lying here fourteen days, each working in their own department, without the slightest attempt at concentrated movements. If there is no further advantage to be gained by the gathering together of large bodies of men than this, the sooner the country is spared the extra expenditure incurred, the better; as one regiment can drill equally as well alone as with half a dozen of the same "cadre," and every corps should come to camp, *perfect in their own drill*, and prepared to learn *how to work together* with combative forces of different descriptions; otherwise, why gather all these men together at enormous expense, when no real benefit is to be derived? Perhaps, in the old English way of working, plodding upwards to the desired end; it is the intention of those in power to begin with brigades and *end* with mimic battles. If so, the adage of shutting the stable door after the horse is gone stands every chance of being fulfilled, as the "battles" may probably commence when supplies, &c., are expended and the troops have to return whence they came.

As regards the separate working, the cavalry and artillery brigades have done well, also the first infantry division; the second infantry division have gained anything but credit from the Commander-in-Chief, for the simple reason that their manœuvres have shown the very reverse of efficient generalship and he have brought down the reverse of praise on "somebody's" head. On Saturday morning the intended movements of camps were carried out, and the entire force is now formed in two grand divisions lying north and south of the railway respectively. It was expected that this would lead to the commencement of *divisional* parade. Yet to-day led off just as usual, some brigades working separately (cavalry and infantry), others, 1st Brigade 1st Division and a couple of batteries of Artillery, resting quite contented or rather settling their camp after a march of (in no case more than) *four miles* on Saturday or Sunday.

To-morrow Lord Napier inspects the infantry, and this may be counted the very first day of *actual* field work. Wednesday is named in the programme as "divisional drill," Thursday "review," and Friday "independent drills; three days amassing of forces. This certainly leaves every reason to expect the camp to continue for at least another fortnight, though if it does, the rate-payer will be apt to get the colic or income-tax on the brain, or something of the sort.

The weather continues splendid, only rather warm after ten o'clock in the day. Water supply holds good, and for rations the Commissariat deserve the greatest credit, their arrangements being so far perfect, and equal in quality to their supply in barracks.

Som how the stringent orders about "countersigns" at night give a great deal of bother. The colonel of a regiment coming from the mess tent the other night was challenged by a sentry for the word. "Haven't got it," he replied. "Should have it; I'm not supposed to let you pass without it," exclaims the irate sentinel. This was rather too much, and in language more forcible than polite Mr. Sentry was ordered to "shoulder" and walk about. The difference between brick and canvas walls was also fully illustrated to-day. A fatigue party returning home from work passed near the "orderly-room of their corps. Some wag in rear roars out "shoulder arms" as they passed it, and down came the picks and shovels to the required salute, wh ilst simultaneously out rushed the commanding officer to know if they intended to insult him. Tableau—one very angry man and a row of long faces, looking very much inclined to seek a hiding place.

KISTNAVERUM, 21st JANUARY.

THE latest "tip" is that the Camp will break up on the 30th or 31st inst., and that the flying column has been finally abandoned; a matter of small regret to those most concerned, for if the proverb "uneasy is the head that wears a crown" be true, most assuredly those who serve "the Crown" haven't got such a very easy time of it, and however pleasant the "out-of-door life" appeared at the commencement, the return to quarters will be hailed with satisfaction by all ranks. Monday was occupied by most of the corps in arranging their fresh camp grounds, the second brigade (1st division) being the solitary exception. They did the greatest part of the fatigues, lining tents, &c., on Saturday, and on Monday morning paraded as usual under their indefatigable Brigadier (Colonel Owen) for a "practice march past," returning to camp shortly after 9 a.m. and finishing the remainder of the dirty work in the evening. Yesterday (Tuesday) morning His Excellency Lord Napier of Magdala inspected the first infantry division at 7 a.m., consisting of two European (1-21st and 80th) and four native regiments (as named in your issue of the 12th instant). They were formed in line to the north-east of the camp with open ranks and, as His Excellency approached, presented arms, the bands in rear playing a march. Lord Napier rode slowly down the front, returning the salute as he passed, and scanning the men minutely. Major General Barton and Sir Frederick Haines accompanied him, giving his Lordship the stations of, or other information respecting, the various corps in succession. The men were, without exception, clean and smart, as if only just turned out from a barrack-room, and with a healthy look about them, not always seen amongst European troops in India. This was remarked not only by His Excellency, but by almost the whole of the numerous staff which attended him. After inspection, the brigades at once formed in column of attack; the first advancing on an imaginary foe to the front; the second by a flank movement to the left on the village of Koonthoor, turning the enemy's right and pushing their advantage took possession of the heights in rear, when their comrades, who had awaited this movement, gained the day by a brilliant charge; the artillery, posted in a very favourable eminence, shelling the retreating force most vigorously. The "two hours'" hard fighting was followed by a march past; and here again his Lordship expressed his gratification, particularly with the soldierlike bearing of H. M.'s 89th Regiment and the manner in which the men of that corps carried their arms. One noticeable feature in the march past was the lively quick step of the two European corps in conjunction with the evident drag of the sepoys, although all marched by to the same music. This can be observed any day, as the natives always show symptoms of fatigue and weariness after a field-day.

Previous to the inspection of the Infantry Division his Lordship witnessed the march past of the Cavalry Brigade, including the Mysore Horse; and appeared to take special interest in the latter, for the 4th Light Cavalry and Sillidars were out again at 5 P.M. for field exercise. The clouds of dust obscured the view at times, yet the manœuvres throughout were most interesting, the supple movements of these splendid horsemen having a certain wild grace without detracting from their proficiency in a military point of view. One old soldier of the 4th Light Cavalry, after going through some feats in swordmanship in front of his troop, turned his horse suddenly to ride back to the ranks, when a native officer, galloping at full speed from the opposite direction, came upon him, accidentally, the two horses coming into collision with a crash that sent the officer's charger reeling back and fairly knocked down the other, fortunately without inflicting any serious injury on either party. To witness the wild riding of these daring fellows, the only wonder is how they managed to escape as they do without loss of life or limb. At four P.M. yesterday Lord Napier held a reception on the parade-ground when the whole of the officers (European and native) of the first division had the honour of being introduced to his Lordship. This morning there were divisional parades—in fact simply a repetition of the day before. His Excellency was to inspect the second division, but particulars have not transpired. There is plenty of blank ammunition being fired at supposed foes, and plenty of manœuvring about to get into "supposed places," and *I suppose* the actual fighting will soon be commenced. Thursday is the day named for a grand review. There is very little dependence, however, to be placed on "intended" movements, as in no day this week has the programme been strictly adhered to. The "sanitary report" is, as usual, excellent, in spite of the heat; one thing is noticeable, "they don't keep the troops out quite so late in the day," as was the case last week, for the last three mornings everything has been virtually ended before ten o'clock, and quite late enough too.

By the bye, I haven't had time to call on His Excellency as yet, but won't fail to do so the first opportunity and to let you know the result of the interview.

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

BOMBAY, 26TH JANUARY 1874.

OUR latest English advices, by post, are dated London, 2nd January. By telegraph, we have intelligence down to 23rd instant, when the Liverpool Cotton Market closed heavy, Surats being dull and drooping, and Fair Dholleras quoted at 5 5/16d. The Manchester market was flat: 7 lbs. 39 inch Grey Shirtings were quoted at 7s. 7½d., 8½ lbs. at 9s., and 40's Mule Twist at 1s. 1d. On account of holidays, no telegrams have been received from Calcutta later than the 21st, when money was reported to be easier. From China, we have telegraphic advices down to the 18th instant, when sterling exchange in Hongkong was quoted at the advanced rate of 4s. 3½d. to 4s. 3¾d., for 6 months' sight Bank Bills, and in Shanghai at 5s 11d. In Hongkong, 8½ lbs. Grey Shirtings stood at 2·59 dollars per piece, and in Shanghai at Ts 2.0m 4 c.

MONEY.—The New Bank of Bombay's Return, made up to the 17th Jan., shows the Deposits to amount to Rs. 135,53,000, and the Government General Treasury Balances to Rs. 127,02,000:—while the Cash Balances and Bullion amounted to Rs. 128,56,000. The Loans, on security, amounted to Rs. 16,65,000; the Cash Credits to Rs. 16,54,000; the Bills Discounted to Rs. 138,38,000; and the Government Securities held by the Bank to Rs. 31,27,000. The Directors at their meeting on Wednesday last again raised their rates of interest and discount 1 per cent.: these now stand at 8 per cent. for loans on Government Securities, and at 11 per cent. on Mercantile Bills.

The firmness of the money market, noticed in our last report, continues, and there is an uneasy and uncertain feeling with respect to the future which will be mainly affected by the extent and degree of the famine in Bengal and the arrangements which are being made to give relief. It is stated that up to the 13th January, the total quantity of grain despatched from Calcutta to the distressed districts amounted to 839,778 maunds only, which shows how little had then been done to provide against the impending calamity. The daily telegrams from Calcutta are watched with extreme anxiety, but none were received for Thursday and Friday, the markets having been closed on account of holidays. The announcement that money was easier on Wednesday was immediately followed by a decline in sterling exchange here of about two-sixteenths, and the rates have since remained quiet but steady, awaiting further intelligence from Calcutta. With this decline in exchange, there has been a slight recovery in Government Paper, which is steadier at the close,—Fours showing an improvement of ¼ per cent. Council Drafts, all of which were taken for Calcutta, went at the Biddings, in London, on the 21st instant, at 1s. 11¼d., being an advance of 4 per cent. on the rate of the preceding sale; but the intelligence appeared to have little or no effect on this market. A further shipment of about 14 lacs of specie to India is announced, and Bar Silver is now quoted in London at 59½, being a rise of ¼d. in the week. But a considerable time must elapse before this shipment, and the one of the previous week, are available; and they can, moreover, have little effect on the money market in this country, when the large sums required on account of the famine are considered. Our export and import market show little change, the business done in each being about the same as in the previous week.

The Money Market in London continues easy, and the rate of discount asked outside the Bank of England is now only 3 per cent. The Bank's position is very strong: by the Return for the week ending 21st January, the Bullion amounted to £23,062,500, and the Reserve to 11¼ millions, while the discounts were about the same as in the last Return.

SHARES.—The markets has been very dull, and, owing to the tightness of the Money Market, prices of all descriptions nearly are lower. In Land shares, Colabas are steady at Rs. 1,380, but all others are weak at reduced rates. Bank shares have been very weak, but at the close a slightly steadier feeling was perceptible: New Bank of Bombay, fully paid up, have fallen 2½ per cent., and the Second Issue, with Rs. 100 only paid, 1½ per cent. on the full amount of a share. National Bank shares are now obtainable at Rs. 128. Spinning shares have throughout been very dull, and most of them again show a considerable decline: Alliance are offering at Rs. 1,750; the Dhurumsey Spinning at Rs. 1,710; the Maneckjee Petit at Rs. 1,330; and the Oriental at Rs. 3,850. Press Companies' shares have generally remained in the same dull state, and a few small transactions only have been reported.

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—The decline in sterling exchange has been followed by a slight recovery in Government Paper: a considerable business has been done in the week, amounting altogether to about 18 lacs, and the market at the close is somewhat firm Fours showing an advance of ¼ per cent. We quote, Fours 101¼, Fours and half 102¼, Fives and half 107. There has also been an improvement in Calcutta, quotations there, on the 21st, when money was reported easier, being Fours 102, Fours and half 102¾, Fives and half 107½. Of the London market, our latest advices are dated 22nd, when Fours stood at 95, Fours and half at 96¼, and Fives and half at 101, with exchange on India at 1s. 11¼d. The new French Loan is quoted in Paris at 93½: here the rate is weak at 96, and no business has been done in it. Paris Municipal Bonds remains at about Rs. 5 discount per Bond, and about 50 Bonds only have changed hands in the week.

EXCHANGE.—Business in sterling opened for this mail at an advance of ¼ per cent. above the closing rates of last mail, but on Wednesday the rates were easier, and on Thursday a decline of ¼d. took place on receipt of telegrams from Calcutta announcing that money was easier, and that the rate for 6 months' sight Bank Bills had fallen to 1s. 11¼d. Since Thursday rates here have been quiet but steady, awaiting further intelligence as to the course of the Calcutta market. They close at 1s. 11¼d. to 1s. 11 5/32d. for sight Bank Bills, on London, at 1s. 11 9/16d. to 1s. 11⅝d. for 6 months' sight Bank Bills, at 1s. 11¾d. for 6 months' sight Credits, and at 1s. 11 13/16 for 6 months' sight Documents. On Calcutta, a small business has been done; the sight rate has fallen to 99½, whilst that of 60 days' sight has advanced to 98½. The rate on China stands at Rs. 218½ per 100 dollars for 60 days' sight house bills.

IMPORTS.

A very small business has again been done this week in Piece Goods, the total sales effected by importers in all kinds of Foreign makes aggregating about 400 packages. The market for Grey Goods has continued very dull, and prices are again lower, most kinds showing a decline of 1 anna per piece, except 7 and 8¼ lbs. which are unchanged. Importers would freely sell at our quotations, but the dealers are not operating because of the large stocks which they now hold, whilst there is little or no demand for the districts, and money is very dear. Bleached Goods have also declined 1 to 2 annas per piece, particularly Shirtings and Mulls. The Yarn market has been very dull, and rates are nominal, no business having been done in any kind. Metals generally are dull and declining, and very little business is doing in them. Coal is quiet and unchanged.

GREY GOODS.—The market has remained very dull; and prices in some cases have declined about ½ to 1 anna per piece. Shirtings are in very small demand; sales,—viz. about 1,400 pieces 40 inch 4¼ lbs. at Rs. 3-4 per piece; about 3,000 pieces 7 lbs. at Rs. 4-4 to Rs. 4 5 per piece; about 5,000 pieces 8½ lbs. at Rs. 5-0 to Rs. 5-2 per piece; about 2,500 pieces 45 inch 8 lbs. at Rs. 5-2 to Rs. 5-3 per piece; and about 500 pieces 50 inch 9 lbs. at Rs. 6-1½ per piece. Printers continue dull and declining, and the only sale which has come to our notice is about 2,000 pieces 3 lbs. at Rs. 2-1 per piece. In Madapollams a few small sales have taken place at a further fall of ½ anna per piece; sales,—viz., about 1,350 pieces 2¼ lbs. at Rs. 1-13½ per piece, and about 2,000 pieces 3 lbs. at Rs. 1-15½ per piece. T. Cloths have declined one anna per piece; sales,—viz., about 2,000 pieces 29 inch 4lbs. (B. E.) at Rs. 2-5 per piece; about 1,000 pieces 5lbs. at Rs. 2-14 per piece; and about 500 pieces 7 lbs. at Rs. 4-4 per piece. Mulls are quiet, and prices are weaker. The only sale reported during the week is about 1,000 pieces 44 inch 1¾ lbs. at Rs. 2 per piece.

BLEACHED GOODS are very quiet, and prices are again lower; sales,—viz., about 650 pieces Shirtings at Rs. 6-12 to Rs. 7-14 per piece; about 300 pieces Cambrics at Rs. 3-8; about 1,200 pieces Jaconets at Rs. 2-2 to Rs. 2-8 per piece; about 1,800 pieces 40 inch Mulls at Rs. 2 at Rs. 2-9 per piece; and about 3,000 pieces 45 inch ditto (G. E.) at Rs. 2-11 per piece.

DYED AND PRINTED GOODS are very dull, and only one sale is reported, which is about 500 pieces Black and White Prints at Rs. 2-11 per piece.

IN TURKEY RED GOODS there has been a slight decline in rates; sales,—viz., about 2,300 pieces ¾ Cambrics at Rs. 3-13½ to Rs. 4-6 per piece; about 4,000 pieces Mulls at Rs. 3-7½ to Rs. 3-8½ per piece; and about 1,200 pieces Prints at Rs. 5-10 to Rs. 6-0 per piece.

YARNS.—The Market remains very dull, and prices are quite nominal. No sales are reported.

METALS.—There has been a decline of Re. 1 to Rs. 2 in Iron and Copper, and the Market closes quieter. Only about 1,000 cwts. of Yellow Metal Braziers have changed hands at Rs. 47-12 to Rs. 48 per cwt.

COAL shows little or no change, and the only sale which has come to our notice is about 1,000 tons Westminster B. Welsh Hartly coal at Rs. 25½ per ton "to arrive."

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—The telegrams received during the week have generally reported dull and drooping markets in Liverpool, where Fair Dholleras has since the 22nd stood at 5 5-16d., being a decline in the week of 1-16d. Here the market has been extremely dull, and prices generally have declined fully Rs. 10 per candy, the decline in Oomrawuttee descriptions being larger, and in Machine Ginned Broach Rs. 20 to Rs. 25 per candy. A small business, for this period of the year, has been done: it amounts to about 4,400 candies, of which 4,000 consisted of new, and 400 of old Cotton. The market closes very dull with prices declining.

Below we append our quotations, viz.:—

			Per candy.
Old			
Dholleras and Bhownuggur	... ...	Rs.	150 to 160
Dharwar Sawginned	... ...	,,	175 to 177
Comptah	... ...	,,	162 to 165
New			
Khandeish, ready	... ...	,,	165 to 167
Hingunghaut, deliverable in	January 1874..	,,	224 to 225
Oomrawuttee	February ,,	,,	185 to 187
Akote	Do. ,,	,,	188 to 190
Broach, M. G.	March ,,	,,	198 to 200
Dholleras	April ,,	,,	171 to 173

A QUOTATION VERIFIED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I am surprised that no one has answered your correspondent Ignoramus's question,—the first half at least. The first of his quotations comes from a poem of Charles Lamb's, which he will find (if my memory serves me) in the "Golden Treasury." As to the second, I am as much an Ignoramus as he is. I should say it came from a Parsee prize poem.

Guzerat, 23rd January. H. A. A.

THE NARROW GAUGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I can assure the *Times of India* that I am a "seeker after truth," but can find little in the pamphlet to which I am referred that touches the plain question put by me through your columns of the 19th.

Though a "layman," I was not unmindful of the "maximum weights of rolling stock and their loads," and neither my judgment nor, I fancy, that of any thinking man is altered by what the *Times of India* has written so far. Before any "fair" comparison can be admitted between the cost of the Wurda Valley Coal Railway and that of the Raipore line which the *Times of India* quotes, more data must be given. If I read the article right, actual cost of one line is compared with the estimated cost of the cheaper line. The words, "a country very similar in character," are vague, and do not cover very many contingencies vitally affecting cost of works; besides, from the bridges quoted it is evident (or to be hoped) that no "important monsoon bridges" are encountered on either of these lines.

Perching for a time on his favourite "fudge formula" of "unprofitable dead weight" upon existing lines, the writer flits off to "the facility for keeping down the ruinous working expenses," which it attributes to all narrow gauge lines. It would be well to learn if that paragon of narrow lines the Festiniog Railway has altered since Mr. Molesworth reported upon it, or if the 3' 6" gauge lines in Queensland have lowered their working expenses.

Really, one would almost believe, when reading the now stereotyped repetitions of these formulæ in the *Times of India*, that all the alleged advantages claimed for the narrow gauge lines were universally admitted facts instead of being seriously questioned and denied by nearly all of those who are most skilled and conversant with the working of railways and traffic.

X.

SIGNOR INZOLI AND HIS CONCERTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Why do your numerous and intelligent correspondents not tell this estimable artiste a little truth, to the effect that, having rashly ventured on a speculation which does not pay, he must cave in and make the best of it, like my friend Watson has to do when he brings out a new style of solar topee that don't and won't take, owing, he says, to a disgraceful absence of æsthetics in the public?

It appears peculiar that these little writers that just now are coming forward so vociferously on behalf of this caterer for public amusement are all on one side. They do not say anything on behalf of the Japanese tumblers, and yet I was told that at the Grant Road Theatre, a few nights ago, there were only two wretched-looking bipeds to admire these jugglers and their dexterity. Chiarini also was heard to regret, just before leaving Bombay, that the spec had not paid him his expenses; and there is another eminent artiste who should not be forgotten, the one who brought out a number of Italian boys, but all of the highest order of talent, who play an instrument called, I believe, the hurdy-gurdy, and although this enterprising artiste has gone to the expense of adding monkeys to the collection, I am credibly informed the speculation can't be made to pay, and the boys have gone to Poona to try their luck there; and where I hope they will remain. But I don't hear any bosh about it being discreditable and disgraceful on the part of the public for not petting these very dirty little boys. Can you explain this partiality for the one enterpriser and the coldness shown to the others?

If Quid Pro Quo, brimming over, as he evidently is, with appreciation for musical talent, wants to send round the hat, why don't he say so plainly and put his name at the head of a subscription list, and at the same time, to make things fair, let it be understood that all are to be treated alike, and that tumblers, circus riders, organ-grinders, or anyone else, that can raise the wind to come here in their own interests, only to find, after all their daring, the public so wanting in proper taste, that gain can't be made out of us; are to be reimbursed at the cost of this unappreciative community? I recommend our new mayor to think of this when preparing the next Budget, and, while we are about it, carry the principle a step further and petition Government to shut up the Insolvent Court, pension Gamble, and clear the schedules by another one per cent. on the house-tax. Pause and look at the retributive justice that would here be dealt out. The bloated landlord class are no doubt the people who don't and who ought to support the players. They live on ghee and the fat of the land, and like Knight's ryot contribute nothing to the State, and bring about every grievance and misery to make the beggars pay.

23rd January. W.

BOMBAY.

SUITS IN THE SMALL CAUSES COURT.—During last month nearly 2,246 new suits were filed in the Small Causes Court.

THE POOR BOX.—The Senior Magistrate acknowledges with thanks the receipt of Rs. 50 from Ramchundra Mahadeo and Co., contributed to the Fort Police Court poor-box.

ATTEMPT TO COMMIT SUICIDE.—On Friday a Parsee named Eduljee Rustomjee attempted to commit suicide by jumping into a well. He was taken out alive, and removed to the Jamsetjee Hospital.

G. I. P. RAILWAY CARTING.—An advertisement in another column contains particulars of the new carting arrangements of goods and parcels to and from Bombay and Byculla in connection with this Railway.

THE INDIAN FINANCE COMMITTEE.—Mr. Shantaram Narayen and Mr. Haridas Beharidas, who have been selected by Government, proceed to England in March next, to give evidence before the Indian Finance Committee.

BAILIFFS IN THE SMALL CAUSES COURT.—We learn that the application regarding the appointment of twenty additional bailiffs in the Court of Small Causes has been referred by the local Government to the Government of India.

SALARY OF THE FIRST JUDGE OF THE SMALL CAUSES COURT.—We understand that the salary of Mr. J. O'Leary, First Judge of the Small Causes Court, has been increased from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 2,400 per month. Mr. O'Leary is expected to arrive here from Europe in April next.

A NOTED THIEF.—At the Fort Police Court on Saturday, before the Senior Magistrate, one Hacka Dosa was charged with loitering in a public place without giving any satisfactory account of himself, he being a noted thief. He was adjudged guilty and sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

ACQUITTAL OF THE FOUZDAR OF SURAT.—We learn from a native paper that Suckersing, the Fouzdar of Chowrasee, in the Surat collectorate, who was sentenced to nine years' rigorous imprisonment on various charges, has been acquitted on appeal by Mr. Macpherson, the Sessions Judge of Surat, on Friday last. Mr. Pherozsha M. Mehta, barrister, appeared on behalf of the Fouzdar.

COMMITTED TO THE SESSIONS.—On Friday one Bhoydas Pranjeewandas, a mehta, was committed by Mr. Nana Morojee to the ensuing Criminal Session, on a charge of fraudulently or dishonestly using as genuine a forged document, purporting to be a cheque for Rs. 100, drawn by Mr. Furdoonjee Framjee Colah, on the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China, and which he knew or had reason to believe to have been forged.

A DISCOVERY OF AN ANCIENT PARSEE'S GRAVE.—The Surat correspondent of the *Bombay Samachar* states that a grave has recently been discovered at that station, on which are written the words "Ardashir Yezdazerd" and year "633." The characters are either in the Zend or Pehlvi language. On opening the coffin the body was discovered to be not much decomposed, but in the position in which the Parsees carry their dead to the Tower of Silence, namely, with folded hands and feet. Some of the Mahomedans are said to claim the property.

CHARGE AGAINST A STEWARD OF A SHIP.—On Saturday, at the Fort Police Court, before Mr. John Connon, Senior Magistrate, Mr. Prescot (Keir, Prescot, and Winter) appeared on behalf of the captain of the steam ship Good Hope, and applied for a summons against William Lovedale, chief steward of the ship, charging him with disobedience of lawful commands, in that the steward refused to render account of the ship stores, cash, &c., that were entrusted to him in discharge of his duties. The magistrate granted the summons, which was made returnable to-day.

THEFT OF ORNAMENTS.—At the Fort Police Court on Saturday, before the Senior Magistrate, a Hindoo lad named Kessew Anundram, Keeroba Chintamon, a jeweller, and Narayen Balajee, a clerk to the Municipality, were charged at the instance of one Jetha Premjee, a schoolmaster, with the abetment of theft of five gold ornaments, valued at Rs. 736, belonging to the estate of the late Dyaram Soondeejee, and dishonestly receiving the said property, knowing it to be stolen; and also voluntarily assisting in concealing, disposing, and making away with the same, they having reason to believe it to be stolen property. The prosecutor stated that the ornaments were taken away from the house by his nephew, a young lad, and son of the late Dyaram Soondeejee, and sold to the first prisoner for a small sum. On enquiry being instituted by the police, the other two prisoners were found to be implicated in the matter. The evidence of Mr. Inspector Austin was taken, and the case was then adjourned for further inquiry to this day. The prisoners were in the meantime remanded to jail.

INDIA is really in advance of England in some respects. It is possible, it appears, at Bombay, to bring a man to book for using offensive and blasphemous language in a public thoroughfare. Pandurang Hurrichund, a clerk in the Postal Department of Bombay, has been made an example of by Mr. Tudor Trevor, Acting Assistant Accountant-General at Bombay—under the Indian Penal Code for deliberately wounding the feelings of Christians, and under the Police Act for using words calculated to provoke a breach of the peace. How happy should we be if some worthy gentleman would find the way to purge our streets of sounds that shock the ear! The offender, in this case was an educated enthusiast, who was in the habit of lecturing on the Esplanade against Christianity, bringing charges against our Saviour that we prefer not to repeat. They were abominable, but we fear not more outrageous than some of the utterances of professed social and political teachers who harangue the working men on Sundays in certain well-known spots in London. Mr. Connon, the Bombay magistrate, seemed to have some of the London mob orators in his mind when he addressed the defendant in this Indian case. The offender thought that no one who could be shocked by his words should have stopped to listen to him. "I do not know," said the magistrate, "what it may be when you become President of the Bombay Republic; but just now Christians have quite as much right to be on the Esplanade as you have." We must congratulate Bombay upon possessing a Mr. Tudor Trevor and a Mr. Connon. We should like to see one on guard in Hyde Park and the other on Clerkenwell Green.—*Overland Mail.*

ARRIVAL OF H. H. MAHARAJA HOLKAR.

HIS HIGHNESS MAHARAJA HOLKAR arrived in Bombay by special train on Saturday afternoon, accompanied by Captain Blowers, Political Agent, and a large number of followers. The special train left Poona at 10 A.M., reaching the reversing station on the Ghats at 12-20 noon, Callian at 2-30 P.M., and Byculla at 4-25 P.M. After a few minutes' stay at the last-named place the train came direct to the Boree Bunder station. Special preparations had been made at the station to receive His Highness. Branches of palm-leaves were stuck into the sides of the public road leading to the station, and a number of other novelties marked the event of his arrival in Bombay. A party of His Excellency the Governor's body-guard and a complete company of the 21st Regiment, under the command of Captain Beck, with fifes, drums, and colours, were drawn up opposite the station. The Governor's carriage with four horses and outriders, and other carriages with four and two horses, were also in readiness for His Highness and his principal officials. A number of His Highness's sowars guarded the smaller entrance to the station-yard. A canopy of white cloth, fringed with red, overhung the platform, which was carpetted throughout, and a profusion of bunting, branches of palm-tree, rows of plants in flower-pots, and a long array of chairs, intended for the accommodation of native gentlemen who had been invited to receive His Highness, further ornamented the station. The number of native gentlemen present was very large. Among them we noticed the Hon. Munguldas Nathoobhoy, Messrs. Nana Morojee, Tapidas Varjdas, Muddon Shricrishna Dhurumsey Poonjabhoy, Dhirajlal Mathuradas, Hurrichund Sudashev, Khunderow Morojee, Shamrao Pandurang, Balajee Pandurang, Shamrao Bhasker, B. M. Wagle, Damodhurdas Tapidas, Maneckjee Cursetjee, Venayek Ramchunder, Gunputrow Bhasker, Bhasker Josey, Javerlal Umiashunker, Dadoba Pandurang, Rao Saheb V. N. Mundlik, Dr. Atmaram Pandurang, Dr. Narayen Dajee, Rughoonath Narayen, and others. Order was preserved on the platform and in the station yard by a body of railway police under the superintendence of Captain Babington and Mr. Samuel Smith. Captain Humphrey, the officer specially deputed by the Bombay Government to accompany His Highness during his tour in the Bombay presidency; Sir Madhowrow, His Highness's prime-minister, who wore a necklet of pearls and the "Star of India"; Mr. Dhondeo S. Garud, late a solicitor of the Bombay High Court, now Chief Justice to Holkar's capital; and some other officials were in attendance at the station to welcome His Highness. Mr. Gonne, Political Secretary, Captain Wodehouse, aide-de-camp, Major Prendergast Walsh, and Mr. Venayek Wasudev, Oriental Translator, were also present on behalf of the Bombay Government. The sharp cracking of fog signals indicated the approach of the special train, and immediately afterwards, as it drew up, there was a rush towards Holkar's carriage. His Highness, on stepping on to the platform, shook hands with the Government officials, the Hon. Mr. Munguldas, and one or two others who were introduced to him by Captain Humphrey. The Maharaja rested for a few minutes in a waiting-room at the station, and then drove in His Excellency the Governor's carriage towards the Carnac bunder road. An immense crowd of natives thronged the sides of the roads, and their acclamations were very courteously responded to by His Highness, who salaamed to every side of him very steadily. He is evidently a man about forty years of age, tall, stout, and wears an expression of shrewdness which may be taken by those who know him to indicate the cupidity with which he is notoriously charged in his relations with his subjects. He was dressed in garments glistening with gold thread, and wore a magnificent necklace of emeralds.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S LEVEE.

THE levée of His Excellency Sir Philip Wodehouse, held at the New Secretariate on Friday last, was well attended. About 270 European and 75 native gentlemen were presented to His Excellency. We subjoin the names:—

EUROPEANS.

Adams, Frederic.
Adams, John.
Adams, William.
Allardyce Alexander.
Antrain, J. P.
Anderson, J., K.L.S., Asst. Surg.
Atkinson, Serjt.
Babington, Captain.
Baily, W. W.
Baker, T. H.
Baker, Major, R. E.,
Ballard, Colonel, R. E.,
Barlow, Sydney.
Barrow, H. Wynford.
Berrett, Arthur.
Barker, Francis.
Barker, Doctor.
Battye, Arthur F., Lt.-Col.
Bellew, P. F.
Best, William J.
Blackhall, W. S. D.
Blashek, Adolf.
Blakemore, Frederick.
Blanchard, Sidney
Boyd, D. G., Rev.
Booker, G.
Bolton, H. F., Lt.-Col., S. C.
Booth, Thomas R.
Brebner, James, Lieut.
Briggs, H. T., Colonel.
Bromley, Thomas.
Brooke, W. R.,
Bromley, jr., Thomas,
Bruce, L. S.
Buchanan, Andrew.
Bushby, W. H.
Burgess, J.
Burgess, Harry, Captain.
Byrne, Charles H.
Cameron, C. A. W.
Campbell, J. M.
Campbell, John.
Campbell, Robert S.
Cartwright, Harry W. D.
Carroll, Edward B.
Case, Lieut. L. N.
Chalk, Frank.
Chalmers, Alexr. B.
Chambers, Charles.
Clark, Robert.
Clarke, C., Lt.-Col.
Clough, Claus Hamilton Prere.
Cleveland, Henry.
Clutterbuck, Lt.-Col.
Codrington, Surg. Major.
Conder, Henry.
Constable, F. C.
Cooper, Charles P.
Cornwall, James.
Crane, Surg. Major.
Crispin, Major.
Crockett, William T.
Curwin, J. J.
Currey, Charles.
Davidson, A., Lieut.-Col.
Doolittle, F. W., M. D.,
Douglas, James.
Dowden, Major.
Downing, William.
Ducat, M. Claude, Major.
Duxbury, J. R.
Dymock, Surg. Major.
Edginton, Alfred.
Etheridge, Colonel.
Ewing, Robert.
Fachiri, P.
Farran, George H.
Farran, Charles, F.
Filows, W. B.
Ferguson, T. B.
Finlayson, David.
Fisher, Hugh D.
Fletcher, L.
Flynn, J.
Forbes, C. H. Buchanan.
Forbes, James A.
Forde, Arthur W.
Fox, Charles Edward.
Fraser, William.
Gamble, Henry.
Geary, Grattan.
Gibbs, Charles, Major.
Giles, Edward.
Gilder, Charles, Rev.
Gillmor, Captain.
Gill, T. Fellowes.
Gomes, P. F., G.G.M.C.
Gordon, W. E.
Graham, Quarter Master, R. A.
Gray, Wellington
Gray, J. Temperley, Doctor.
Griffiths.
Grommé, G.
Groom, C. J.
Gubbay, A. M.
Guigne, Christian de.
Hadow, Harry J.
Hall, W. G.
Hamilton, Richard E.
Haworthwaite, James T.
Hawkins, Edward Luff.
Hay, Andrew.
Hearn, Risley V.
Hewett, G. B., Lieut.
Hilliard, W. E.
Hogarth, —, R. A.
Holt, Capt.
Horo, Fraser,
Hunter, G. Yeates, Surg. Maj.
Hutchinson, J. F.
Hynes, George J.
Hynes, Lewis G.
Ingle, George.
James, Evan M. H.
James, Percy V.
Jervis, Thomas.
John, Harry.
Johnson, C. R. Kirby.
Johnstone, Dr.
Jones, Hugh W.
Hoyat, Eyre, Dr.
Kealy, Mortimer.
Ker, William J.
Key, Richard L. T.
Kipling, J. Lockwood.
Kingsmill, J.
Kinahan, J., Surg. Major.
Kirkham, T. B.
Kittredge G.
Landon, Maurice.
Lang, Walter.
Latham, A.
Latham, F. L.
Leith, Edward Tyrrell.
Login, E. W.
Lucas, C., Lt.-Colonel.
Lushington, jr., James L.
Lyon, L. B.
Lyons, Major.
Macleod, J. M.
Macaulay, W. M.
Mackenzie T. D.
Maclean, Robert MacLean.
Maconachie, Dr.
Macfadyen, Duncan.
McIver, Daniel.
Madden, J. L.
Madquest, John S.
Manson, G.
Mansfield, Edward,
Manuel, M. B.
Marshall, John.
Mathew, F.
Maule, Ward, Rev.
Melville, James.
Melvin, William F.
Merewether, Major, R. E.
Meurin, L., Right Rev.
Mills, John, Surg. Maj.
Milnell, Captain.
Miller, Edward.
Mobery, Edward G.
McHutch, Alexander.
Moir, George W.
Molony, George Twigge.
Mont alb, James.
Moray, Major.
Morland, Henry, Lieutenant.
Moultrie, G. W.
Mowat, M.
Murray, Reginald.
Neal, J. Dyce.
Noble, G. F.
Noike, G.
Nyren, W., Doctor.
O'Connell, J.
Oldham, G. W., Captain.
Oliphant, Arthur C.
Orgill, J. Barrick.
Ormiston, George.
Ormiston, Thomas.
Orr, J. W.
Ostrehan, Elliott, Captain.
Paffard, George S.
Page, R. L., Lt.-Col., R.S.J.E.
Palmer, Lieut., R. N.
Payne, Charles D. P., Capt.
Peile, Arthur E.
Pendlebury, William.
Pereira, Wenceslaus.

FRONTIER INTELLIGENCE.

Our Cabul correspondent states that Sirdar Mahomed Yakoob Khan has sent a letter to the Ameer of Cabul acknowledging himself at present a loyal subject of the Ameer, but at the same time protesting against the injustice which has been done him by the Ameer by appointing Sirdar Abdoola Jan his successor. Yakoob Khan has declined however to attach his signature to the document allowing Abdoola Jan's succession and declares that he will not have any illumination or rejoicings in Herat in his honour; and that it is not his intention to create any disturbance during the Ameer's lifetime, but that on his decease, he intends to fight tooth and nail to depose the boy who has superseded him. The letter is said to conclude with an expression of the Sirdar's conviction that the Ameer will be displeased with him on reading it, but he urges that he is justified in the tone he has adopted by the injustice which has been done him and the disgrace he has suffered.

It is stated that the Ameer on receiving this letter at first remained silent, but afterwards spoke out saying that though he was aware that the Sirdar should have been appointed his successor, yet he was powerless in the matter; that he considered him fully qualified in every respect for the Ameership; that as the Sirdar had written in an improper spirit, he will be obliged to punish him for it, by causing some misfortune to happen to him. Nowroz Khan, Yakoob Khan's uncle, is also to be punished. It is stated, our correspondent avers, that the Ameer intends advancing on Herat in the summer.

Our Dera Ismael Khan correspondent states that the Jumsheydee tribe, a clan which always revolts against the Ameer during the winter, who is unable to oppose them, owing to the heavy snow—has as usual this season again revolted. The Ameer has therefore despatched three foot regiments and one cavalry regiment under the command of General Gholam Hyder Khan to oppose them; when the General arrived close to their hills, the Ameer despatched Colonel Roostum Khan also to aid the General. The Ameer has told the Colonel that if he succeed in defeating the Jumsheydee tribe, he will appoint him a General and despatch him to Candahar. Colonel Roostum Khan therefore proceeded with a regiment of cavalry to their country, on reaching which he addressed a letter to the Mulliks of the tribe, telling them to fight with Gholam Hyder Khan, but to submit themselves to him. The Mulliks on receiving this letter brought it to the General, who took it and the Mulliks to the Ameer. The Ameer on this disgraced Roostum Khan and dismissed him. The Mulliks then acknowledged their submission to the Ameer, who granted Noor Mahomed Khan and Iftikhar Khan, the chief Mulliks, two horses and 1000 rupees. They also agreed to supply from their tribe enough men for these two regiments and the Ameer has therefore sent Syud Meer Khan to collect the requisite number of men.

Our Cabul correspondent states, that some dispute has arisen between Naib Mahomed Alum Khan, the Governor of Turkestan, and Naib Afizoolla Khan, the ruler of Badakshan. They have therefore complained to the Ameer of Cabul. The former states that Hafizoolla Khan has been extorting 3 lacs of rupees from the people of the surrounding parts of Badakshan—that if he continues to do so the people will be entirely ruined. Hafizoolla Khan states that Naib Mahomed Alum Khan has been spending money on his own account from the Treasury and is very extravagant. The Ameer is enquiring into the facts of complaints.

The same correspondent states, that Sirdar Mahomed Yarkoob Khan is the general subject of conversation amongst the people of Cabul. The Ameer has therefore directed that any one who speaks about him should be punished.

Also that several Candahar Chiefs are in league with the Sirdar and are in correspondence with him. This has come to the knowledge of the Ameer, who has written to the Governor of Candahar, Sufdar Alee Khan, to try and seize their letters and send them on to him.—*Indian Public Opinion.*

THE KHIVA CAMPAIGN.

(FROM THE "TIMES'" PRUSSIAN CORRESPONDENT.)

BERLIN, Dec. 27.

The first book upon the Khiva campaign would be an interesting contribution to military literature even if there were others likely to follow. We are indebted for this acceptable gift to Lieutenant Stumm, of the Prussian Hussars, the only non-Russian officer who took part in the Expedition. Though written from an exclusively military point of view, and refraining from all notice of men and things, it contains no small amount of instructive intelligence on the unknown oasis of the Central Asian steppe. A few extracts which I am going to make, while giving the reader an idea of the intrinsic value of the book, will acquaint him with some of the most notable facts communicated by its observant and judicious author.

Lieutenant Stumm begins by telling us that the remote situation of the Khanate in the midst of an almost inaccessible desert has long encouraged the inhabitants to commit depredations on territory possessed, or at any rate claimed, by the Russians. When in 1871 the Russians found that they would have shortly to go to war with the unruly sons of the wilderness, they despatched an officer of the Imperial Engineers, who entered the mysterious locality in disguise and succeeded in bringing home a map of the fortifications and environs of the capital. As his *incognito* could not have been maintained without an accurate knowledge of one or two Oriental languages, the School of Eastern Philology does not seem to exist for nothing at St. Petersburg. Nor is the art of managing the natives less developed than proficiency in their various tongues. Notwithstanding the preliminary reconnoitres, the troops of Colonel (now General) Lomakine, with whom Lieutenant Stumm entered the Khanate, mainly relied for their guidance upon some wandering Khirgese hired on the eastern shores of the Caspian Sea. These accommodating foreigners, being very well paid indeed, proved perfectly faithful, and this not only when marching at the head of the Russian columns with loaded rifles in dangerous contiguity, but also when carrying letters through the lonely wilderness without any one to control their steps. Throughout the campaign they supplied the postal service so regularly that when the author of our book reached the dry bed of Lake Aibugir, a letter which had left Berlin only 50 days before was placed in his hands by the Khirgese carrier. Reckoning about 12 days from Berlin to Petrovsk, on the western shore of the Caspian, less than 40 days were required for the passage to Kinderli Bay and the crossing of the intermediate waste.

While marching over the sterile plateau of the Ust Urt the author had ample opportunity for acquainting himself with the capacity for endurance forming so prominent a feature in the character of the Russian soldier. Without mentioning minor exploits of the kind, the following will suffice as an example. Having approached what was formerly Lake Aibugir, General Lamakine learned by special messenger that General Werovkine, the commander of the Orenburg column, had already arrived on Khivese territory, and was waiting for him somewhere between Urga and Kungrad. As the degree of resistance which would be offered could not be foreseen, General Lamakine determined to hurry with the cavalry to the support of his brother commander. To do so the more quickly, he boldly left the line of wells marching right through the desert in the direction of Kungrad. For three days his forces threaded their way through the wilderness without finding a drop of water fit to drink for either man or beast. The men, having been inured to this hardship by previous deprivation, did not feel it so very severely, while the horses, it seems, made a virtue of necessity, and, as they could get nothing better, drank the brackish pools occurring at intervals in the arid expanse. During these three terrible days the horsemen were about 12 hours on horseback at a stretch, enduring the chill of the morning with the same equanimity as the fiery breath of the noontide heat and the sudden lowering of the temperature at night. They were immediately followed by the infantry, who had to undergo the like sufferings before reaching the inhabited territory of the Khanate. The distance traversed by both arms is calculated by our author at 120 miles, which it would seem was almost as rapidly gone over by the infantry as the cavalry. On the losses incurred he is silent. They cannot have been trifling when it is considered that the cavalry depended only upon grass, while the infantry, wading all day through the scorching sand, had nothing to drink but spirits and a pint of salt water on the first day, and half a pint on the second, carried for them on the backs of their camels. All this while the temperature was at the fearful height of 40 deg. Reaumur; and yet we are told the men pushed steadily on, and were cheerful at the hope of relief ahead. The author does not hesitate to call this heroic march one of the greatest achievements ever performed by a body of armed men. I have heard him discourse on the subject with the same vigour and admiration with which he writes upon it.

When the Russians reached the colonized portion of the Khanate, they were surprised at the scientific style of the fortifications encountered every now and then. Though of antiquated shape, somewhat clumsy in outline, and of insufficiently solid material, they supplied ample proof that the men who had planned and erected them were conversant with the rules of their art. The deserted camp at Kara Baili was protected on three sides by an earthwork seven feet high, with banquettes of six feet and a deep fosse partly filled with water; on the fourth side was the Amu. The capital of Khiva, too, presented the aspect of a strong fort, guarded by numerous bastions. Nor were the tactics of the defenders of an altogether despicable nature. Besides being skilled in the usual stratagems of ambush and surprise, suddenly starting up out of the ground and disappearing as rapidly, they knew something about manœuvring large bodies systematically in sight of and in opposition to the enemy. At the encounter at Mangit, for instance, they had posted their infantry and Artillery on a ridge of hills crossing the road the Russians were obliged to pursue, with clouds of horsemen swarming in front. As the Russians advanced the native cavalry drew more and more to the right, and, without leaving the front of the *gros* exposed, tried to outflank the approaching enemy. The move was the more ingenious as the outflanking force had the Amu on their right, with cannon in position on the oppotite bank and field artillery in the centre of the main body. Having vainly endeavoured to stem the progress of the hostile horse, who were steadily advancing on their left, the Russians eventually could not prevent their rushing upon the rear with fearful impetus and speed. Why the attack, which had been designed with so much ingenuity, did did not succeed, we shall see at once. Before leaving this part of the subject we wish, however, to emphasize what is repeatedly dwelt upon by Lieutenant Stumm. The instance mentioned is only one illustration of the able tactics pursued by the native commanders all through, or, at any rate, as long as they succeeded in keeping their troops well in hand. The impression produced upon the Russians by this unexpected display of military judgment was so great that General Lamakine, who had entered the Khanate with the notion of meeting a savage enemy, thought it necessary to adopt the precautions usual in European warfare. Obviously, the descendants of those who fought in the victorious hosts of Genghis-Khan had not quite forgotten their former prowess, and perhaps had even added something to their store of military knowledge since the days of their mighty chief.

But all availed nothing; though they might know something of tactics, and were sufficiently disciplined to turn their knowledge to account, the Russians knew more. Though they fought with the utmost bravery, and on half-a-dozen occasions hurled their wild horsemen into the very enclosure of the hostile camp or into the marching columns of the enemy, the Russians were no cowards either. Last, not least—and this is the most important point, which decided the campaign before it was fairly begun—though they had cannon and rifles of medieval make, the Russians confronted them with the best specimens of German and American manufacture to be had. Once more the rockets, which have done duty so often in Central Asia, frightened the horses of the cavalry; once more the infantry, when the troopers found it impossible to rein in their rebellious steeds, were thrown into consternation by revolving grenades thrown out of Krupp guns of the latest fashion; and if the main body stood their ground, nevertheless, trying to fight it out with their heavy match-locks and unwieldy ordnance, the Russian infantry walked up, and out of the Berdan rifle—a cross between the Chassepot and the Dreyse—poured a deadly hailstorm into the ranks of their helpless adversaries. Thus it was chiefly the want of efficient arms which doomed the indigenous troops to destruction the moment they stood face to face with an European drilled force. They could certainly not compare in strategy with the commanders arrayed against them, but they knew enough to have applied their impetuous bravery to some good purpose if only they had had the means. Then was seen the wisdom of the Russian decree which prohibits the importation of arms into the steppe, except by way of Krasnovodsk and Alexandrovsk, where these dangerous playthings are only permitted to a chosen few, as the highest rewards a native can receive.

But if the Khivese had only obsolete ordnance at their disposal, they were too well up in artillery practice to indulge any hopes of resistance after the experience of the first two or three fights. Soon after the Mangit combat the army dispersed, the infantry either running away or sheltering itself in fortified towns, while the cavalry, chiefly consisting of Turcomans, carried on a sort of guerilla warfare with no definite object in view. It was probably owing to the panic created by the disasters reported by the retreating troops that the most necessary measures of defence were omitted in this part of the campaign. The central districts of the Khanate, which the Russians had entered by this time, are intersected by a whole network of deep and rapid canals, running from the Amou in the direction of the western steppe. Nothing could have been more easy than to inundate the country by damming up those watercourses; nothing more simple than to destroy the wooden bridges over them. Indeed, as Lieutenant Stumm tells us, the Russians were fully prepared for some such expedient being adopted by an enemy who had thus far shown no little skill and resource. But hardly anything of the kind was attempted after the telling lesson administered at Mangit and in some minor skirmishes. Directly defeat was incurred the Tartar mind gave it all up as a bad job. The Russians marched, with little or no resistance, through a country where each step might have been contested with every prospect of success. More than this, the fierce fellows who had but lately confronted the needle-gun in solid array now not only omitted flooding the plains but, with bare heads and in humble posture, met the conqueror outside the open gates of their penitent towns. It is not in the Asiatic to resist the inevitable.

Only when the invading force pitched their camp before the capital was their renewed opposition. The immense walls of the place, studded with numerous artillery, inspired the defenders with fresh courage. But they were too much flurried by what had preceded to do anything effectual. Their artillery practice in the field is praised as remarkably good by our authority; yet when the Staff of Generals Werovkine and Lamakine neared the principal gate of the city with the van, marching through a narrow lane with high walls on either side, 60 cannon-balls were fired over their heads without any visible exertion being made to alter the direction of the muzzle the whole time. Hardly a man of the Staff, says Lieutenant Stumm, who was present on the occasion, could have escaped had they resorted to this simple rectification of their aim. A little later the Russian heavy guns battered down the gate and the barricade in front. Then the last semblance of resistance ceased. The next day, upon the Russians entering Khiva in storming parties the shots fired upon them were few and far between. A few days more and the inhabitants associated with the victors in the most familiar style in shop and hostelry, and gaily thronged to hear the bands playing wherever the inspiriting sounds were to be enjoyed.

If the Russians—but this is a remark altogether beyond the limits our author imposes upon himself—continue to overawe the inhabitants of the Khanate by a strong garrison, they will shortly succeed in making them not only obedient subjects, but also serviceable tools. The discomfited Tartar always meekly surrenders and tries to make his peace. Even the Turcoman nomad of the wild steppe has no chance of holding out against the new rulers of the region. Being dependent upon the corn of the oases, the moment the Russians have established their supremacy all round the steppe, the son of the wilderness must give in, whether he will or not. After the conquest of Khiva, the environs of the Attreck and Merv rivers are the only arable districts whence the Turcomans can provision themselves. Whether these will remain unconquered may be gathered from the recent intelligence announcing another campaign in the south for the Spring. Only the other day the St. Petersburg *Golos* laid down the theory that Russia, like every civilized country coming in contact with half-civilized races, must extend her frontiers until she meets with a safe and easily defended border line. This border, we were told, need not be a river or a chain of mountains, the only requisite being that it shall be religiously respected by the dwellers on the other side. If this principle is followed out, it is easy to foresee that the Russians will find it impossible to stop short of the Anglo-Indian frontier, and that the gallant Turcoman horse will soon have occasion to fight with better weapons in the service of the Czar.

Colonel Venukoff, who may be called the official geographer of Central Asia, states in the monthly number of the Russian Geographical Society Reports for December that the details communicated to you respecting the Amou exploring squadron are not yet quite settled. *Apropos* of this, the Russians who have just surveyed the lower course of that river have failed to discover the waterfall near Noksu described by M. Vambery—a fact of some importance as affecting the navigation of a stream which is the high road to Afghanistan.

Redoubled energy is being displayed in effecting communication between European Russia and Central Asia. The concessions for the Samara-Orenburg, the Perm-Ekaterinburg, and the Samara-Uzalsk Railways have just been officially signed and handed over to the respective *entrepreneurs*. Of these lines the first forms a portion of the present and usual route to Tashkent; the second opens up the mines of the Ural, and leads to the place whence the Central Asia highway of M. Lesseps is to start; while the last (which is to be only a tramway) bring the south-western portion of the Orenburg steppe within reach, and will, perhaps, induce the Khirgese of the region to cultivate agriculture.

SMITH, EDWARDS & CO.'S ANNUAL COTTON CIRCULAR.

ADELAIDE BUILDINGS, CHAPEL STREET, LIVERPOOL, 31st December, 1873.

(*Concluded from our Saturday's issue.*)

To discuss the prospects of our market for the ensuing year is not an inviting theme. Our experience of annual forecasts at this season has been of late years the reverse of encouraging. Were it not that something is expected to be said, it were better to avoid altogether the bootless attempt to weigh and measure the ocean of uncertainties that lies before us in the coming twelve months. The fatal defect in forecasting the future at this period of the year is that the size of the American crop is so uncertain, and our experience of recent years has shown conclusively that no information which we can possibly draw from America is at all to be relied upon. At this time last year the current estimates were 300,000 bales too small, the year before they were 300,000 bales too large, the one before they were 600,000 bales too small, the one before 400,000 bales too small, and so on. Now a mistake of 300,000 or 400,000 bales in the estimate of the crop usually causes a difference of 1d to 2d per lb in the price when the error is discovered, say by April or May, hence it happens that we are liable to have the most careful anticipations of the future entirely upset by circumstances which cannot by any possibility be foreseen or provided against. For several years past it has seldom been possible to estimate the supply for the season approximately before April or May, and we fear that this year will form no exception to the rule. It must therefore be borne in mind that all anticipations of the future are at this period hypothetical in a high degree, and entirely dependent upon the estimate or guess accepted for the American crop.

We should have said a few weeks ago that all the best information from America was pointing to rather a short crop. The season had been a wet one. Worms had done great damage on the rich bottom lands, and an early killing frost had apparently curtailed the picking season not a little. Such weather in former times would have been considered a sure sign of a deficient yield, and we were therefore inclined to think 3½ millions not an unfair estimate, even after allowing for the great area planted and the extraordinary quantity of fertilizers used.

The prodigious receipts at the ports during the month of December have disturbed these opinions not a little; they have far exceeded anything known since the war, and last week was considerably higher than the largest figure (198,000 bales) ever attained before. Various explanations have been furnished of these enormous deliveries; it is said that planters were prevented sending their cotton down freely in October and November, owing to the scarcity of currency, and that now the difficulty is removed, and they are making up leeway; the rivers also all in good navigable condition, where as last year they were just the opposite. Besides at this time last year the "Epizootic" or horse disease was seriously hampering transportation, so that a great difference was naturally to be expected in favour of this year when every facility exists for sending cotton down. No doubt there is some force in these considerations, but the scale of receipts is so far beyond what every one expected that we cannot but conclude the crop has been underestimated. We cannot think that planters would hurry their cotton at this rate if they believed in a short crop, nor be eager to sell at 2d per lb. below the corresponding price last year.

Within the last few weeks some interesting information has been supplied from America about the character of the crop, which throws light upon these immense receipts. Parties who have recently travelled in the South state that very large crops have been made in the Upland districts owing to the extensive use of fertilisers, which a wet season has made more than usually productive. We are also informed that the cultivation of cotton has spread far more of late years into the Northern Cotton belt, where white labour is abundant, and where a more skilful method of culture prevails. We are informed that heavy crops are now made as far North as Virginia by means of manuring the land. We believe scarcely any cotton was grown there before the war or for some years afterwards.

Another feature has to be noticed, the Western farmers who have been getting poor prices for their produce for several years are in some cases moving Southwards, and a considerable stream of emigration is going into Tennessee, Arkansas and Texas. Consequently the old methods of computing the cotton crops are proving to be fallacious. The proportion grown on the Uplands is far greater and on the bottom lands much less than it was formerly, and for that reason a wet season has not the unfavourable effect it had formerly.

There seems to be no doubt that poor crops have been made this year in Louisiana, Mississippi, and much of Alabama. These States formerly used to produce one-third to one-half of the crop, but the centre of gravity has moved Northwards, and it appears now as though the large yield in the northern and Middle belt quite compensates for short crops in the Mississippi Valley. One very important point remains to be noted. It is allowed on all sides that the old system of large plantations is passing away; the old planters were so improvidential by the war, that they have not been able to keep their heads up since, and have been compelled gradually either to sell or lease their land to small farmers, in some cases white, in some black, and in others on joint occupancy. This has brought a more energetic mode of cultivation into practice, and has stimulated the industry of the South more than under the days of slavery, and we hear on all sides that the free negro is working well, whether he farms his own plot or works on shares with a white man. It appears in fact that a gradual revolution is taking place in the husbandry of the South, and it is all in favour of making the land more productive than before. We consider this to be of vast importance to our spinning and manufacturing interests, for it affords a surer basis of supply than we have heretofore been accustomed to.

The favorite crop figure in America now appears to be 4 millions; a few still cling to 3½ millions, but as many more incline to 4½ millions, and certainly the receipts at the moment look more like the large than the small figure.

Recalling what we have already said of the extreme uncertainty of American estimates, we should say that upon the basis of a four million crop there is an ample supply of cotton for the world's requirements. The consumption of the world out of the last American crop was as nearly as can be computed—allowing for the mistake at stock-taking—3,700,000 bales, leaving a surplus of fully 200,000 bales on hand on 1st September.

During the twelve months covered by this crop the consumption will probably increase a little in Europe under the influence of the lower price, but as a good deal of short time has been worked in America the past three months, it will be rather less there. Altogether we do not see how 4 millions of bales can be actually consumed, but it may be absorbed by the trade if prices keep low, as they held small stocks at the opening of the season. We do not think that the spinning capacity of Great Britain can be at all increased this coming year; hardly any mills are building, and it is difficult to get as much work out of the machinery as before, owing to the extension of holidays and shorter hours among the operatives. We think any increase of the consumption of American cotton will only be from superseding Surats. The same holds good on the Continent, where trade has been very poor for a long time, and spinners are certainly not increasing their aggregate consumption.

The prospects of supply from India are good. To our surprise, we learn that there is a considerable increase of planting in the Berars (the Oomrawuttee district), and all the accounts of the crops in Western India are favourable. As Bombay has a fair amount of last crop still to ship, we think that she should be able to send to Europe more than last year, unless prices rule so very low that large stocks remain upcountry in the hands of the growers. From Madras larger supplies are coming forward, but from Calcutta we look for very little, owing to the low price to which Bengal cotton has sunk. Altogether, we think that India, even at present prices, will send as much cotton as last year, while any rise in price might draw considerably more. Brazil promises to send more than last year, but not so much as the year before, and Egypt is expected to give a crop equal to the last. Surveying the whole cotton field, we should say that the present prospect is good for spinners, but not encouraging for speculative operations. It seems probable that Liverpool will be a heavy receiver of cotton during the spring months, and as spinners are themselves large importers, we fear that it will be an unsatisfactory market to the importer. Nor is the state of trade in Manchester such as to encourage sanguine views: considerable stocks of both goods and yarns are held by producers. The great check given by the Bengal famine to the demand for Calcutta has told seriously upon the makers of these goods, and there are at present no signs of buoyancy in the Manchester market.

To set against this, the great fact remains that cotton is fully 2d per lb cheaper than at this time last year, and 1d per lb below the average of the year. It is held by many that this comparative cheapness fully compensates for the prospect of abundant supply; and undoubtedly a sanguine feeling exists in America, whence considerable orders have recently come to buy for arrival. We should say that a range of 8d to 8¼d for middling Uplands is not unreasonable for the average of the year, with a crop of 4 millions, but it remains to be seen whether such prices can be supported during the pressure of import in the spring months. We think that will turn very much upon the question whether there will be a reduced area planted this coming season. If the idea of a short crop following this one gets afloat a decided advance upon present rates might occur, somewhat similar to what happened in 1871; but if it is found that an equal area is planted, it will be hard to move the market, for people will argue that if an indifferent season like the last has given 4 million bales, a good season will give 4½ millions or more next year.

Our own view is that no great decrease of cultivation is to be looked for, if present prices, say 8d or over, rule at the time of planting. We do not think these prices unremunerative to the mass of small cultivators. We should think that a decidedly lower price would be required to throw back cultivation to any great extent.

We pen these remarks with the full consciousness that the course of the market will be quite-different if receipts run out early in the spring, and restore short estimates of crop. We will then see considerable speculation, and an advance to 9d or more; but if, on the other hand, the present scale of receipts is a true gauge of the crop, and by March or April 4½ millions come into favour, we should expect great depression to rule here, and very low price to be reached. People will be mistaken if they look for a great revulsion of price, such as took place after the monster crop of 1870-71; that crop of 4,350,000 bales, was preceded by one of 3,120,000 bales, and followed by one of 2,975,000 bales, making the average of the three years 3½ millions, so that the superabundance we had for a few months was readily absorbed, the normal state of the three years being one of scarcity; but this large crop follows one of nearly four millions, and it is, to say the least, extremely improbable that any such falling off will occur next season as happened after the great crop of 1870-71. The cotton supply of the world appears at last to have fairly overtaken the consuming power, and there is ground to hope that enough will now be produced from year to year at a moderate legitimate price, such as will yield fair remuneration alike to grower and consumer.

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